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AGRICULTURE:
Montana's Most Important Industry

Agriculture accounts for one-third or more of the total receipts generated by Montana's primary industries. Crop sales for 1986 (up 17%) recovered from the sharp reductions suffered in 1985 due to drouth. Livestock sales dropped 19% after herd liquidations boosted sales in 1985. Total agricultural receipts in 1986 (including government payments) were up 4% from 1985. Receipts from other industries were up in 1986; but oil and gas were down sharply.

RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF SELECTED MAJOR MONTANA INDUSTRIES

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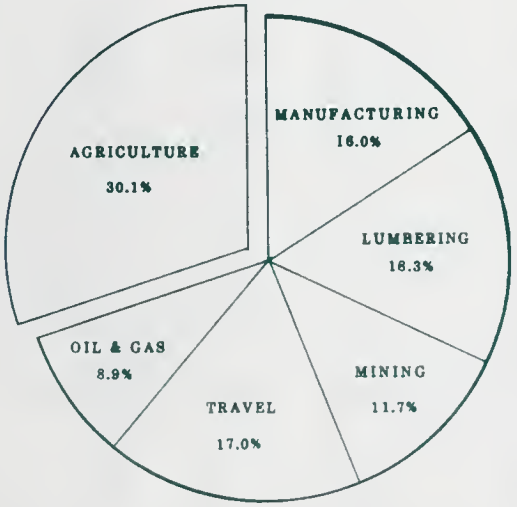

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Total Farm and Ranch Assets	$14.0 Bil. 2/
Average Value per Farm or Ranch	$592,047 2/
Average Value per Acre	$164 3/
Real Estate Value per Farm or Ranch	$430,945 4/
Farm and Ranch Debt per Operation	$141,746 5/

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Farm	67,546
People per Farm	2.9

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Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches:	66	Percent

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LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

UTILIZATION AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL 1/

1/ 1982 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

PLEASE RETURN

MONTANA'S 1987 CROP SEASON

Total production for most of Montana's crops increased in 1987. Production of winter wheat, durum wheat, oats, dry beans, sugarbeets, sweet cherries, potatoes, and corn were higher than 1986, and barley set a new record high level. Spring wheat and hay productions, however, were lower than 1986 levels.

The state's all wheat production of 151.2 million bushels was 9 percent greater than 1986, and the largest crop since the record level of 180.3 million bushels set in 1982. Winter and durum wheat production was 24 percent and 23 percent higher respectively, while spring wheat production was down 5 percent from 1986.

The new barley production record of 94.5 million bushels was 11 percent above the previous record set in 1986. Oat production, at 6.05 million bushels was 46 percent larger than the 1986 crop. Corn at a production level of 1.57 million bushels, is 5 percent higher than 1986, and is the highest in 65 years. The 1987 potato crop totaled 2.37 million cwt., 6 percent higher than 1986, and was at the highest production level in nearly 70 years.

1987 ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY 1/

		MONTANA								U.S.
		ACREAGE		Production				Season Avg. Price Per Unit	Value of Prod.	PRODUCTION
Crop	Year	Planted	Harv.	Unit	Yield Per Acre	Total	% Chg. From Prev. Year			
		Thousands				Thous.	%	$	Thous.$	Thous.
Corn for Grain 2/	1984	90	15	Bu.	92.0	1,380		3.09	4,264	7,674,020
	1985	84	11		95.0	1,045		2.80	2,926	8,865,006
	1986	80	13		115.0	1,495		2.10	3,140	8,249,864
	1987	80	15		105.0	1,575	+ 5	2.20	3,465	7,064,143
Winter Wheat	1984	2,700	2,400	Bu.	27.0	66,960		3.41	228,334	2,060,266
	1985	2,460	1,400		16.0	22,400		3.28	73,472	1,827,195
	1986	2,150	2,000		32.0	64,000		2.39	152,960	1,521,498
	1987	2,300	2,200		36.0	79,200	+24	2.60	205,920	1,562,896
Durum Wheat	1984	215	210	Bu.	17.0	3,570		3.57	12,745	103,439
	1985	200	160		9.0	1,440		3.18	4,579	112,510
	1986	165	160		27.0	4,320		2.75	11,880	97,907
	1987	195	190		28.0	5,320	+23	3.25	17,290	92,617
Other Spring Wheat	1984	2,100	1,950	Bu.	17.5	34,125		3.72	126,945	431,072
	1985	3,000	2,400		11.0	26,400		3.64	96,096	485,060
	1986	2,700	2,600		27.0	70,200		2.62	183,924	472,230
	1987	2,400	2,300		29.0	66,700	- 5	2.70	180,090	449,687
All Wheat	1984	5,015	4,640	Bu.	22.6	104,655		3.52	368,024	2,594,777
	1985	5,660	3,960		12.7	50,240		3.47	174,147	2,424,765
	1986	5,015	4,760		29.1	138,520		2.52	348,764	2,091,635
	1987	4,895	4,690		32.2	151,220	+ 9	2.67	403,300	2,105,200
Oats	1984	220	105	Bu.	37.0	3,885		1.77	6,876	473,661
	1985	225	70		33.0	2,310		1.50	3,465	518,626
	1986	200	90		46.0	4,140		1.37	5,672	386,356
	1987	235	110		55.0	6,050	+46	1.50	9,075	373,765
Barley	1984	2,320	2,110	Bu.	28.0	59,080		2.39	141,201	599,204
	1985	2,350	1,500		20.0	30,000		2.03	60,900	589,183
	1986	2,400	2,180		39.0	85,020		1.60	136,032	610,522
	1987	2,300	2,100		45.0	94,500	+11	1.85	174,825	527,010
Potatoes	1984	7.5	7.4	CWT	260.0	1,924		9.50	18,278	362,612
	1985	7.9	7.0		270.0	1,890		8.75	16,538	407,109
	1986	7.8	7.7		290.0	2,233		6.65	14,849	317,771
	1987	8.0	7.9		300.0	2,370	+ 6	6.50	15,405	342,774
Dry Beans	1984	8.5	8.0	CWT	19.0	152		15.00	2,280	21,070
	1985	3.4	3.0		19.0	57		17.00	969	22,268
	1986	4.8	4.5		21.6	97		15.00	1,455	22,886
	1987	5.8	5.7		21.9	125	+29	12.00	1,500	26,309
Sugarbeets	1984	25.2	24.6	Tons	16.9	416		35.50	14,768	22,134
	1985	43.5	42.7		19.0	811		35.10	28,466	22,529
	1986	47.2	46.8		21.7	1,016		39.10	39,726	25,162
	1987	49.2	48.9		22.2	1,086	+ 7	--	--	27,999
Alfalfa Hay	1984	--	1,150	Tons	2.10	2,415		--	--	90,105
	1985	--	950		1.80	1,710		--	--	85,291
	1986	--	1,300		2.30	2,990		--	--	91,552
	1987	--	1,300		2.20	2,860	- 3	--	--	84,554
All Hay 3/	1984	--	2,200	Tons	1.72	3,780		78.00	294,840	150,648
	1985	--	1,950		1.42	2,760		84.50	233,220	148,959
	1986	--	2,250		1.92	4,320		51.00	220,320	155,529
	1987	--	2,200		1.91	4,210	- 4	46.00	193,660	149,142
Sweet Cherries 4/	1984	--	--	Tons	--	2,300		666.00	932	181,800
	1985	--	--		--	4,600		644.00	2,255	132,500
	1986	--	--		--	1,600		480.00	480	137,710
	1987	--	--		--	3,800	+138	877.00	2,280	210,800
All Main Crops	1984	--	--		--	--		--	836,695 5/	--
	1985	--	--		--	--		--	494,420 5/	--
	1986	--	--		--	--		--	730,712 5/	--
	1987	--	--		--	--		--	803,510 5/	

1/ All estimates for 1987 are preliminary. 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Production in actual tons. 5/ Excludes sugarbeets value for comparability with 1987.

LIVESTOCK

CLASS OF LIVESTOCK	MONTANA 1987	1988	% Chg. '88/'87
	----000 Head----		%
ALL CATTLE and CALVES, JAN. 1	2,400	2,350	- 2
Cows & Heifers that have calved			
Beef Cows	1,303	1,275	- 2
Milk Cows	24	25	+ 4
Heifers 500 pounds and over			
For beef cow replacement	235	255	+ 9
For milk cow replacement	7	7	---
Other heifers	142	156	+10
Steers 500 pounds and over	228	254	+11
Bulls 500 pounds and over	77	72	- 6
Calves less than 500 pounds	384	306	- 6
Cattle and calves on feed	70	80	+14
All cattle value ($000)	972,000	1,398,250	+44
Value per head (Dollars)	405	595	+47
Number calves born 1/	1,375	1,280	- 7
Number cattle farms 1/	16,000	15,700	- 2
Number of milk cow farms 1/	2,500	2,500	--
	--000 Head--		
ALL HOGS and PIGS 2/	190	230	+21
Breeding	21	30	+43
Market	169	200	+18
All hog value ($000)	15,675	16,675	+ 6
Value per head (Dollars)	82.50	72.50	-12
Pig Crop 1/ (000 Head)	324	394	+22
Number of hog farms 1/ (No.)	1,400	2,000	+43
	--000 Head--		
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS	523	538	+ 3
On feed	23	35	+52
Stock sheep	500	503	+ 1
Lambs			
Ewes	106	106	---
Wethers and rams	11	5	-55
One year old and older			
Ewes	370	380	+ 3
Wethers and rams	13	12	- 8
All sheep value ($000)	42,886	53,531	+25
Value per head (Dollars)	82.00	99.50	+21
Lamb crop 1/	450	440	- 2
Number of sheep farms 1/	2,900	2,900	---
Sheep shorn 1/	500	525	+ 5
Weight per fleece (lbs.)	10.5	9.9	- 6
Wool Production (000 lbs.)	5,225	5,193	- 1
Price per Pound (cents)	74	102	+38
Value ($000)	3,867	5,193	+34

1/ Previous year. 2/ December 1, previous year.

CATTLE & CALVES
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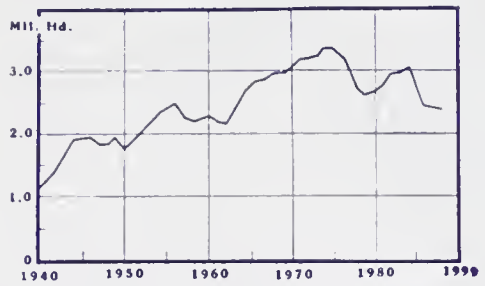

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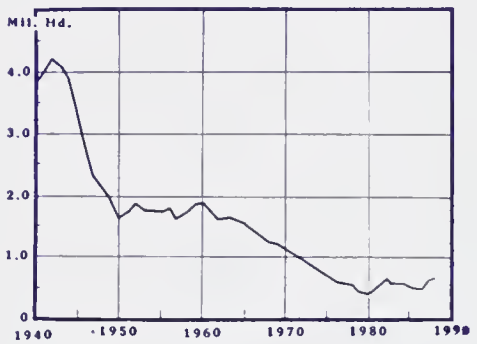

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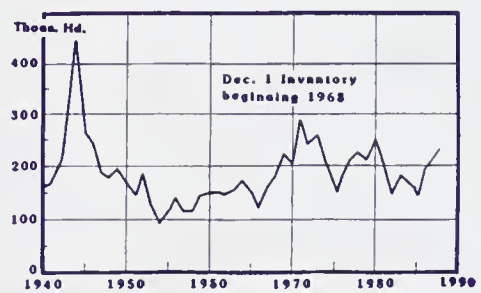

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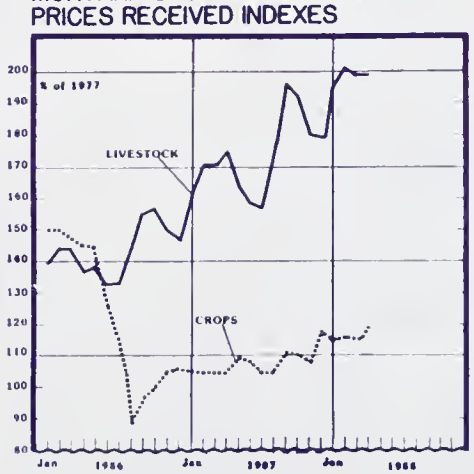

MEAT ANIMALS: Marketings and Cash Receipts, 1984-1987

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA 1984	1985	1986	1987	% Chg. '87/'86
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,197.6	3,370.5	1,052.0	997.0	- 5
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt.	47.20	47.60	49.30	61.10	+24
Calves	Dols./Cwt.	60.90	62.20	62.60	80.70	+29
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	597.8	689.3	537.6	631.8	+18
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	60.9	56.7	58.0	76.9	+33
Average Price	Dols./Cwt.	43.90	38.50	42.10	45.80	+ 9
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	26.9	22.0	24.5	35.3	+44
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	42.4	46.9	35.1	37.1	+ 6
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt.	14.30	17.60	22.70	27.40	+21
Lambs	Dols./Cwt.	60.30	66.80	67.20	80.50	+20
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	19.3	23.1	19.9	23.3	+17

PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1960	1970	1980	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987 2/
	Dollars							
Winter Wheat	1.61	1.22	3.90	3.57	3.41	3.28	2.39	2.60
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	1.73	1.40	4.15	3.81	3.72	3.64	2.62	2.70
Durum Wheat	1.72	1.30	5.75	3.90	3.57	3.18	2.75	3.25
All Wheat	1.66	1.31	4.14	3.67	3.52	3.47	2.52	2.67
Oats	.57	.53	1.96	1.58	1.77	1.50	1.37	1.45
Barley	.66	.78	2.83	2.40	2.39	2.03	1.60	2.00
All Hay Baled (ton)	24.60	22.50	62.50	63.00	78.00	84.50	51.00	46.00
Hogs	15.00	22.40	37.20	43.90	43.90	38.50	42.10	45.80
Beef Cattle	19.60	27.00	58.00	48.00	47.20	47.60	49.30	61.10
Steers & Heifers	22.00	29.00	68.30	58.40	58.70	58.40	57.90	70.30
Calves	24.50	35.50	76.80	62.40	60.90	62.20	62.60	80.70
Cows	14.00	21.50	44.80	36.80	36.40	35.70	35.90	44.20
Lambs	16.10	26.10	61.70	47.80	60.30	66.80	67.20	80.50
Sheep	5.10	6.80	17.70	11.40	14.30	17.60	22.70	27.40
Chickens	.131	.080	.080	.070	.080	.070	.080	.060
Eggs	.362	.446	.575	.565	.640	.510	.560	.500
Wool	.43	.38	1.00	.67	.91	.67	.74	1.02
All Milk	4.28	5.65	12.80	13.30	13.80	13.10	12.70	12.50

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales.
2/ Preliminary.

MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK
Land in farms and ranches	60,800,000	acres	1987	2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:				
Total	1,144,845,000	dollars	1986	33
Crops	493,015,000	dollars	1986	--
Livestock	651,830,000	dollars	1986	--
LIVESTOCK and LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS				
All Cattle & Calves	2,350,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	13
All Cows	1,327,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	11
Beef Cows	1,275,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	7
Milk Cows	25,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	43
Cattle on Feed	80,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	21
Hogs and Pigs	230,000	head	Dec. 1, 1987	24
Sheep and Lambs	538,000	head	Jan. 1, 1988	6
Wool Production	5,225,000	pounds	1986	5
All Chickens	990,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1987	41
CROPS (Production)				
All Wheat	151,220,000	bushels	1987	3
Winter Wheat	79,200,000	bushels	1987	7
Durum Wheat	5,320,000	bushels	1987	2
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	66,700,000	bushels	1987	3
Barley	94,500,000	bushels	1987	2
Oats	6,050,000	bushels	1987	15
All Hay	4,210,000	tons	1987	18
Alfalfa Hay	2,860,000	tons	1987	12
Dry Beans	125,000	cwt	1987	13
Potatoes--fall	2,370,000	cwt	1987	14
Sugarbeets	1,086,000	tons	1987	8

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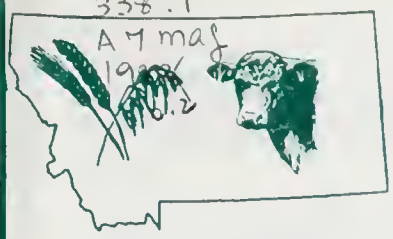

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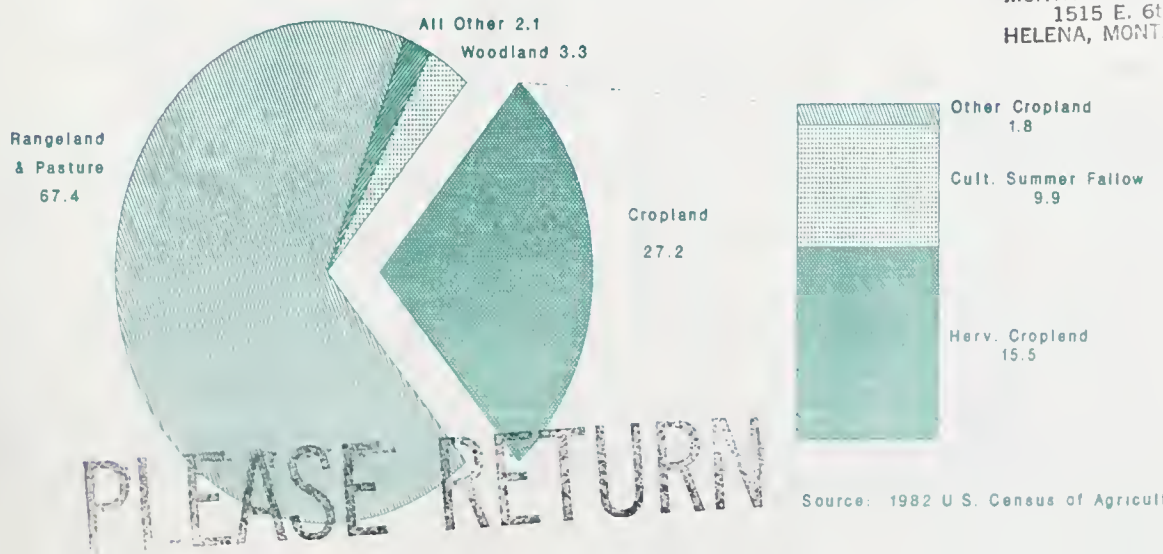

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MONTANA'S 1988 CROP SEASON

Total production for most of Montana's crops decreased dramatically in 1988 due to a major drought. However, crop yields were higher than in 1985, Montana's previous year of a major crop disaster. Higher prices helped soften some of the impact of the crop failure, but the total value of all crops was still nearly a fourth under the previous year.

The dry season started early in the spring and although rains from 3/4 to 1 1/2 inches fell during June they were not enough to override the effects of a very dry July and August. Small grains matured ahead of schedule on very short straw and mostly thin stands.

Ranges and pastures made little or no growth during the entire season in most of Montana. Many herds were culled or relocated early in the season and hay prices soared to record-high levels. Calves were weaned and marketed ahead of schedule. Rains in September started grass and weed growth in grain stubble, and softened range grasses.

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	1987	2,300	2,200		36.0	79,200	+ 24	2.66	210,672	1,565,176
	1988	2,450	2,100		19.0	39,900	- 50	3.85	153,615	1,560,970
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	1987	2,400	2,300		29.0	66,700	- 5	2.78	185,426	449,687
	1988	2,000	1,500		12.0	18,000	- 73	4.10	73,800	205,460
All Wheat	1985	5,660	3,960	Bu.	12.7	50,240	- 52	3.47	174,147	2,425,105
	1986	5,015	4,760		29.1	138,520	+176	2.52	348,764	2,091,635
	1987	4,895	4,690		32.2	151,220	+ 9	2.74	414,186	2,107,480
	1988	4,730	3,830		15.7	59,970	- 60	3.90	238,283	1,811,261
Barley	1985	2,350	1,500	Bu.	20.0	30,000	- 49	2.03	60,900	591,383
	1986	2,400	2,180		39.0	85,020	+183	1.60	136,032	610,522
	1987	2,300	2,100		45.0	94,500	+ 11	1.82	171,990	529,530
	1988	1,800	1,250		24.0	30,000	- 68	2.95	88,500	290,505
Oats	1985	225	70	Bu.	33.0	2,310	- 41	1.50	3,465	520,800
	1986	200	90		46.0	4,140	+ 79	1.37	5,672	386,356
	1987	235	110		55.0	6,050	+ 46	1.49	9,015	374,000
	1988	210	90		31.0	2,790	- 54	2.30	6,417	218,773
Corn for Grain 2/	1985	84	11	Bu.	95.0	1,045	- 24	2.80	2,926	8,876,706
	1986	80	13		115.0	1,495	+ 43	2.10	3,140	8,249,864
	1987	80	15		105.0	1,575	+ 5	2.20	3,465	7,072,073
	1988	90	20		110.0	2,200	+ 40	3.15	6,930	4,921,191
Corn for Silage	1985	--	69	Tons	19.0	1,311	+ 6	--	--	102,752
	1986	--	63		19.0	1,197	- 9	--	--	88,660
	1987	--	64		18.0	1,152	- 4	--	--	84,468
	1988	--	67		19.0	1,273	+ 11	--	--	78,925
Potatoes (Fall)	1985	7.9	7.0	Cwt.	270.0	1,890	- 2	8.75	16,538	342,774
	1986	7.8	7.7		290.0	2,233	+ 18	6.65	14,849	317,771
	1987	8.0	7.9		300.0	2,370	+ 6	5.65	13,391	342,471
	1988	7.8	7.7		280.0	2,156	- 9	7.75	16,709	307,181
Dry Beans	1985	3.4	3.0	Cwt.	19.0	57	- 62	17.00	969	22,175
	1986	4.8	4.5		21.6	97	+ 70	15.00	1,455	22,886
	1987	5.8	5.7		21.9	125	+ 29	12.00	1,500	25,909
	1988	4.4	4.0		19.0	76	- 39	28.00	2,128	19,230
Sugarbeets	1985	43.5	42.7	Tons	19.0	811	+ 95	35.10	28,466	22,529
	1986	47.2	46.8		21.7	1,016	+ 25	39.10	39,726	25,162
	1987	49.2	48.9		22.2	1,086	+ 7	42.20	45,829	28,072
	1988	49.6	48.9		21.1	1,032	- 5	--	--	24,794
Alfalfa Hay	1985	--	950	Tons	1.80	1,710	- 29	--	--	85,048
	1986	--	1,300		2.30	2,990	+ 75	--	--	91,552
	1987	--	1,300		2.20	2,860	- 4	--	--	84,794
	1988	--	1,100		1.90	2,090	- 27	--	--	69,282
All Hay 3/	1985	--	1,950	Tons	1.42	2,760	- 27	84.50	233,220	148,601
	1986	--	2,250		1.92	4,320	+ 57	51.00	220,320	155,529
	1987	--	2,200		1.91	4,210	- 3	45.00	189,450	149,302
	1988	--	1,800		1.55	2,790	- 34	88.00	245,520	126,817
Sweet Cherries 4/	1985	--	--	Tons	--	4,600	+100	644.00	2,255	132,500
	1986	--	--		--	1,600	- 65	480.00	480	137,710
	1987	--	--		--	3,800	+138	877.00	2,280	214,800
	1988	--	--		--	3,300	- 13	548.00	1,042	186,200
All Main Crops	1985	--	--		--	--		--	494,420 5/	--
	1986	--	--		--	--		--	730,712 5/	--
	1987	--	--		--	--		--	805,277 5/	
	1988	--	--		--	--		--	594,111 5/	

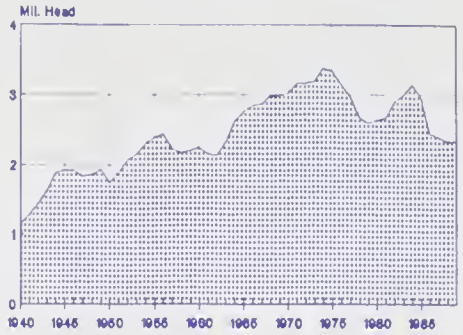
1/ All estimates for 1988 are preliminary. 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Production in actual tons. 5/ Excludes sugarbeets value for comparability with 1988.

LIVESTOCK

CLASS OF LIVESTOCK	MONTANA 1988	1989	% Change 89/88
	--000 Head--		
ALL CATTLE and CALVES, JAN. 1	2,350	2,350	0
Cows & Heifers that have calved			
Beef Cows	1,275	1,324	+ 4
Milk Cows	25	25	0
Heifers 500 pounds and over			
For beef cow replacement	255	296	+16
For milk cow replacement	7	7	0
Other heifers	156	148	- 5
Steers 500 pounds and over	254	233	- 8
Bulls 500 pounds and over	72	75	+ 4
Calves less than 500 pounds	306	242	-21
Cattle and calves on feed			
All cattle value ($000)	1,398,250	1,527,500	+ 9
Value per head (Dollars)	595	650	+ 9
Number calves born 1/	1,280	1,350	+ 5
Number cattle farms 1/	15,700	15,700	0
Number of milk cow farms 1/	2,500	2,300	- 8
	--000 Head--		
ALL HOGS and PIGS 2/	230	245	+ 7
Breeding	30	32	+ 7
Market	200	213	+ 7
All hog value ($000)	16,675	17,640	+ 6
Value per head (Dollars)	72.50	72.00	- 1
Pig Crop 1/ (000 Head)	358	401	+12
Number of hog farms 1/ (No.)	2,000	2,000	--
	---000 Head---		
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS	530	568	+ 7
On feed	27	30	+11
Stock sheep	503	538	+ 7
Lambs			
Ewes	106	105	- 1
Wethers and rams	5	9	+80
One year old & older			
Ewes	380	410	+ 8
Wethers and rams	12	14	+17
All sheep value ($000)	52,470	50,552	- 4
Value per head (Dollars)	99.00	89.00	-10
Lamb crop 1/	440	460	+ 5
Number of sheep farms 1/	2,900	3,100	+ 7
Sheep shorn 1/	511	533	+ 4
Weight per fleece (lbs.)	10.1	10.5	+ 4
Wool Production (000 lbs.)	5,165	5,600	+ 8
Price per Pound (cents)	1.02	1.48	+45
Value ($000)	5,268	8,288	+57

1/ Previous year. 2/ December 1, previous year.

Cattle & Calves
January 1 Inventory, 1940-1989



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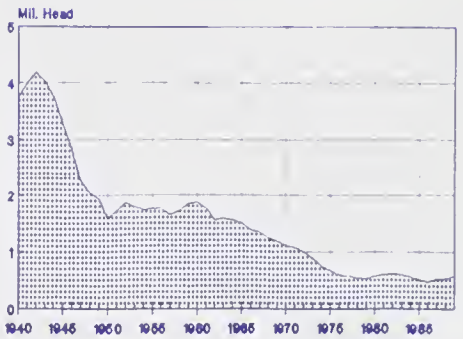

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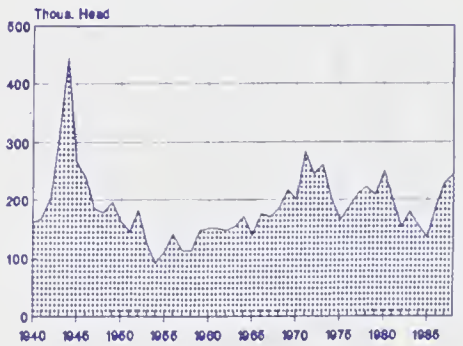
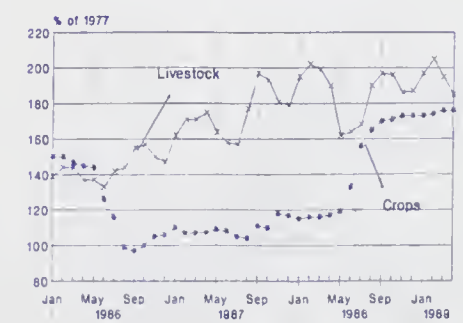


MEAT ANIMALS: Marketings and Cash Receipts, 1985-1988

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA 1985	1986	1987	1988	% Chg. '88/'87
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	3,370.5	1,052.0	981.0	1,009.8	+ 3
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt.	47.60	49.30	61.10	65.70	+ 8
Calves	Dols./Cwt.	62.20	62.60	80.70	90.60	+12
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	689.3	537.6	622.1	693.3	+11
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	56.7	58.0	67.7	83.1	+23
Average Price	Dols./Cwt.	38.50	42.10	45.80	36.60	-20
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	22.0	24.5	31.3	30.6	- 2
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	46.9	35.1	37.1	33.4	-10
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt.	17.60	22.70	27.40	22.20	-19
Lambs	Dols./Cwt.	66.80	67.20	80.50	66.30	-18
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	23.1	19.9	23.3	19.3	-17

Montana Crop & Livestock
Prices Received Indexes



PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1970	1980	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988 2/
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Winter Wheat	1.22	3.90	3.57	3.41	3.28	2.39	2.66	3.85
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	1.40	4.15	3.81	3.72	3.64	2.62	2.78	4.10
Durum Wheat	1.30	5.75	3.90	3.57	3.18	2.75	3.40	5.25
All Wheat	1.31	4.14	3.67	3.52	3.47	2.52	2.74	3.97
Oats	.53	1.96	1.58	1.77	1.50	1.37	1.49	2.30
Barley	.78	2.83	2.40	2.39	2.03	1.60	1.82	2.95
All Hay Baled (ton)	22.50	62.50	63.00	78.00	84.50	51.00	46.00	88.00
Hogs	22.40	37.20	43.90	43.90	38.50	42.10	45.80	36.60
Beef Cattle	27.00	58.00	48.00	47.20	47.60	49.30	61.10	65.70
Steers & Heifers	29.00	68.30	58.40	58.70	58.40	57.90	70.30	77.80
Calves	35.50	76.80	62.40	60.90	62.20	62.60	80.70	90.60
Cows	21.50	44.80	36.80	36.40	35.70	35.90	44.20	46.40
Lambs	26.10	61.70	47.80	60.30	66.80	67.20	80.50	66.30
Sheep	6.80	17.70	11.40	14.30	17.60	22.70	27.40	22.20
Chickens	.080	.080	.070	.080	.070	.080	.060	.060
Eggs	.446	.575	.565	.640	.510	.560	.500	.480
Wool	.38	1.00	.67	.91	.67	.74	1.02	1.48
All Milk	5.65	12.80	13.30	13.80	13.10	12.70	12.50	12.20

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales.
2/ Preliminary.

MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK
Land in farms and ranches	60,700,000	acres	1988	2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:				
Total	1,347,409,000	dollars	1987	33
Crops	587,140,000	dollars	1987	--
Livestock	760,269,000	dollars	1987	--
LIVESTOCK and LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS				
All Cattle & Calves	2,350,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	13
All Cows	1,349,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	10
Beef Cows	1,324,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	7
Milk Cows	25,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	43
Cattle on Feed	90,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	22
Hogs and Pigs	245,000	head	Dec. 1, 1988	23
Sheep and Lambs	568,000	head	Jan. 1, 1989	6
Wool Production	5,193,000	pounds	1987	6
All Chickens	910,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1988	41
CROPS (Production)				
All Wheat	59,970,000	bushels	1988	11
Winter Wheat	39,900,000	bushels	1988	13
Durum Wheat	2,070,000	bushels	1988	4
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	18,000,000	bushels	1988	4
Barley	30,000,000	bushels	1988	4
Oats	2,790,000	bushels	1988	24
All Hay	2,790,000	tons	1988	20
Alfalfa Hay	2,090,000	tons	1988	15
Dry Beans	76,000	cwt	1988	13
Potatoes--fall	2,156,000	cwt	1988	14
Sugarbeets	1,032,000	tons	1988	8
Corn				
Grain	2,200,000	bushels	1988	41
Silage	1,273,000	tons	1988	19

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MONTANA FACTS AND FIGURES

Montana's 1980 population, at 786,690, was up 13 percent from 1970. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.3 in 1980--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 60.2 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

MONTANA POPULATION

Total, 1980 Census	786,690
People Per Square Mile	5.3
Farm Population	67,546
People Per Farm	2.8

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION [1]

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0	Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	60,203,993	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.7	Percent

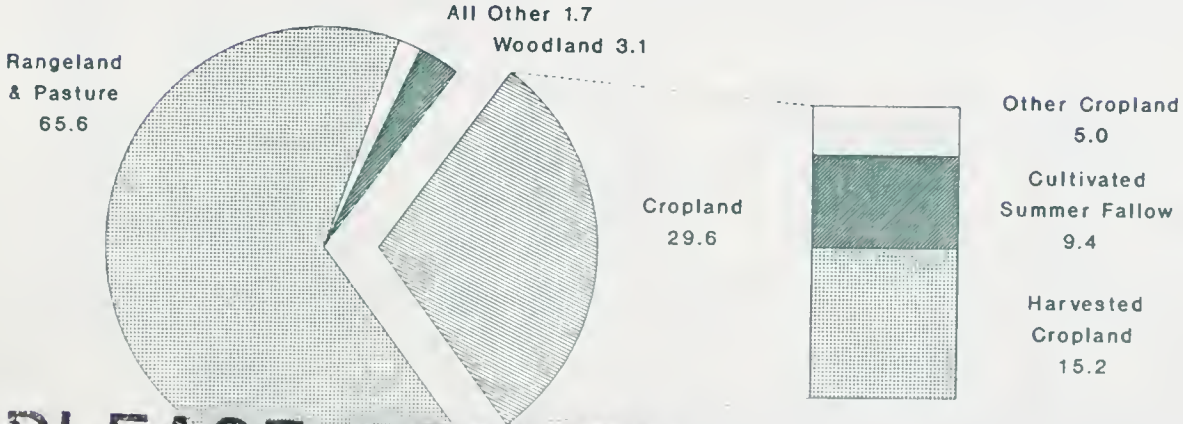
[1] 1987 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1988

Number of Farms & Ranches [1]	24,600	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch [3]	$411,821
Average Size of Farm or Ranch [1]	2,467 Acres	Average Value Per Acre [4]	$209
Total Farm & Ranch Assets [2]	$14.8 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation [5]	$112,813
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch [2]	$601,028		

[1] Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. [2] Includes household, buildings, machinery, livestock, crops, savings and investments. [3] Includes dwelling and other farm buildings. [4] Per acre, land and buildings, February 1, 1989. [5] Includes real estate, non-real estate, and CCC loans.

Land in Farms & Ranches
Utilization as Percentage of Total



Source: 1987 U.S. Census of Agriculture

PLEASE RETURN

MONTANA 1989 PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Crop production in Montana in 1989 was above the average of the 1980s--which included 2 major drought years. All wheat production, at 145 million bushels, was 15 percent above the decade average; barley production, at 68.8 million bushels, was 11 percent above; and all hay production, at 4.5 million tons, was 10 percent above. The value of Montana's crop production, at $1.1 billion, was topped only by the crops of 1981 and 1982.

Planting Montana's 1989 crop was delayed because of cool and wet weather. However, nearly 40 percent of the winter wheat had to be reseeded due to extensive winter kill. Considerable alfalfa acreage also did not survive the winter. Yet, by the end of June, prospects were mostly improved over 1988's major drought. Hot and dry weather the first half of July diminished prospects somewhat, and the eastern third of Montana continued dry throughout the major part of the growing season.

Harvest was delayed because of the slow seeding start and late August rains. Considerable barley acreage was damaged by sprouting in the head. Spring wheat was also adversely affected. By October 1, harvest was virtually complete for small grains. The state's sugar beet crop suffered from curly top and corn intended for grain was severely frosted in early September.

1989 ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY 1/

		MONTANA								U.S.
		Acreage		Production			Season Avg.			
	Year	Planted	Harv.	Unit	Yield Per Acre	Total	% Chg. From Prev Year	Price Per Unit	Value of Prod.	Production
		Thousands				Thous.	%	$	Thous $	Thous.
Winter Wheat	1986	2,150	2,000	Bu.	32.0	64,000	+186	2.39	152,960	1,520,433
	1987	2,300	2,200		36.0	79,200	+24	2.66	210,672	1,565,381
	1988	2,450	2,100		19.0	39,900	-50	3.86	150,014	1,561,910
	1989	2,500	1,500		36.0	54,000	+35	3.90	210,600	1,453,842
Durum Wheat	1986	165	160	Bu	27.0	4,320	+200	2.75	11,880	97,907
	1987	195	190		28.0	5,320	+23	3.40	18,088	92,817
	1988	280	230		9.0	2,070	-61	5.20	10,764	44,831
	1989	340	335		18.0	6,030	+191	3.35	20,201	92,229
Other Spring Wheat	1986	2,700	2,600	Bu.	27.0	70,200	+166	2.62	183,924	472,230
	1987	2,400	2,300		29.0	66,700	-5	2.78	185,426	449,687
	1988	2,000	1,500		12.0	18,000	-73	4.10	73,800	205,460
	1989	3,500	3,400		25.0	85,000	+372	3.75	318,750	489,747
All Wheat	1986	5,015	4,760	Bu	29.1	138,520	+176	2.52	348,764	2,090,570
	1987	4,895	4,690		32.2	151,220	+9	2.74	414,186	2,107,685
	1988	4,730	3,830		15.7	59,970	-60	3.98	238,578	1,812,201
	1989	6,340	5,235		27.7	145,030	+142	3.79	549,551	2,035,818
Barley	1986	2,400	2,180	Bu	39.0	85,020	+183	1.60	136,032	608,532
	1987	2,300	2,100		45.0	94,500	+11	1.82	171,990	521,499
	1988	1,800	1,250		24.0	30,000	-68	2.82	84,600	289,994
	1989	1,700	1,600		43.0	68,800	+129	2.15	147,920	403,443
Oats	1986	200	90	Bu.	46.0	4,140	+79	1.37	5,672	384,996
	1987	235	110		55.0	6,050	+46	1.49	9,015	373,713
	1988	210	90		31.0	2,790	-54	2.28	6,305	217,600
	1989	250	145		46.0	6,670	+139	1.45	9,672	373,778
Corn for Grain 2/	1986	80	13	Bu	115.0	1,495	+43	2.10	3,140	8,225,764
	1987	80	15		105.0	1,575	+5	2.20	3,465	7,131,300
	1988	90	20		110.0	2,200	+40	3.15	6,930	4,928,681
	1989	80	4		80.0	320	-85	2.60	832	7,527,152
Corn for Silage	1986	--	63	Tons	19.0	1,197	-9	--	--	90,227
	1987	--	64		18.0	1,152	-4	--	--	86,442
	1988	--	87		19.0	1,273	+11	--	--	78,791
	1989	--	75		18.0	1,350	+6	--	--	86,243
Potatoes (Fall)	1986	7.8	7.7	Cwt.	290.0	2,233	+18	6.65	14,849	318,198
	1987	8.0	7.9		300.0	2,370	+8	5.65	13,391	344,998
	1988	7.8	7.7		280.0	2,156	-9	7.75	16,709	313,558
	1989	8.2	8.1		275.0	2,228	+3	8.25	18,381	324,726
Dry Beans	1986	4.8	4.5	Cwt.	21.6	97	+70	15.00	1,455	22,960
	1987	5.8	5.7		21.9	125	+29	12.00	1,500	26,031
	1988	4.4	4.0		19.0	76	-39	28.00	2,128	19,253
	1989	8.0	5.9		22.0	130	+71	27.50	3,575	24,333
Sugarbeets	1986	47.2	46.8	Tons	21.7	1,018	+25	39.10	39,726	25,150
	1987	49.2	48.9		22.2	1,086	+7	42.20	45,829	26,072
	1988	49.6	48.9		21.1	1,032	-5	45.20	46,646	24,810
	1989	52.7	51.9		19.9	1,033	0	--	--	25,553
Alfalfa Hay	1986	--	1,300	Tons	2.30	2,990	+75	--	--	91,865
	1987	--	1,300		2.20	2,860	-4	--	--	84,225
	1988	--	1,100		1.90	2,090	-27	--	--	69,304
	1989	--	1,350		2.20	2,970	+42	--	--	77,208
All Hay 3/	1986	--	2,250	Tons	1.92	4,320	+57	51.00	220,320	155,385
	1987	--	2,200		1.91	4,210	-3	45.00	189,450	147,457
	1988	--	1,800		1.55	2,790	-34	85.00	237,150	126,010
	1989	--	2,350		1.90	4,470	+80	71.00	317,370	145,445
Sweet Cherries 4/	1986	--	--	Tons	--	1,000	-71	480.00	480	136,760
	1987	--	--		--	2,600	+160	877.00	2,280	212,820
	1988	--	--		--	1,900	-27	548.00	1,042	184,510
	1989	--	--		--	--	--	--	--	--
All Main Crops	1986	--	--		--	--	--	--	730,712 5/	--
	1987	--	--		--	--	--	--	805,277 5/	--
	1988	--	--		--	--	--	--	593,442 5/	--
	1989	--	--		--	--	--	--	1,047,301 5/	--

1/ All estimates for 1989 are preliminary 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons ; 5/ Excludes sugar beets value

LIVESTOCK

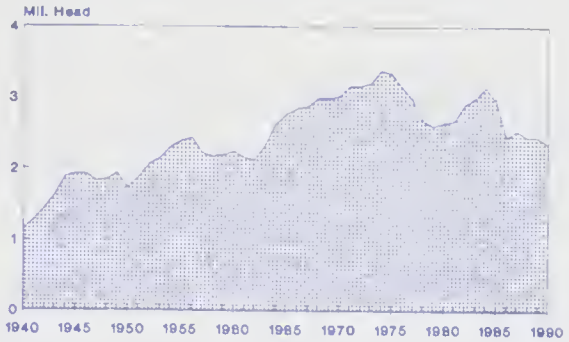
CLASS OF LIVESTOCK	MONTANA 1989	1990	% Change '90/'89
		----000 Head---	
ALL CATTLE and CALVES, JAN. 1	2,450	2,350	- 4
Cows & Heifers that have calved			
Beef Cows	1,380	1,368	- 1
Milk Cows	25	24	- 4
Heifers 500 pounds and over			
For beef cow replacement	293	335	+14
For milk cow replacement	7	7	--
Other heifers	150	167	+11
Steers 500 pounds and over	248	181	-27
Bulls 500 pounds and over	77	75	- 3
Calves less than 500 pounds	270	193	-29
All cattle value ($000)	1,580,250	1,598,000	+ 1
Value per head (Dollars)	645	680	+ 5
Number calves born 1/	1,350	1,350	--
Number cattle farms 1/	15,400	15,200	- 1
Number milk cow farms 1/	2,200	2,000	- 9
		-000 Head-	
ALL HOGS and PIGS 2/	225	220	- 2
Breeding	29	30	+ 3
Market	196	190	- 3
All hog value ($000)	16,200	17,600	+ 9
Value per head (Dollars)	72.00	80.00	+11
Pig Crop 1/	383	406	+ 6
Number of hog farms 1/ (No.)	1,800	1,900	+ 6
		-000 Head-	
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS	600	663	+11
On feed	30	23	-23
Stock sheep	570	640	+12
Lambs			
Ewes	111	124	+12
Wethers and rams	10	9	-10
One year old & older			
Ewes	434	490	+13
Wethers and rams	15	17	+13
All sheep value ($000)	53,400	56,687	+ 6
Value per head (Dollars)	89.00	85.50	- 4
Lamb crop 1/	460	500	+ 9
Number of sheep farms 1/	2,800	2,700	- 4
Sheep Shorn 1/	567.0	569.0	--
Weight per fleece (Lbs.)	10.0	10.0	--
Wool Production (000 lbs.)	5,666	5,690	--
Price per Pound (dollars)	1.48	1.36	- 8
Value ($000)	8,386	7,738	- 8

1/ Previous year. 2/ December 1, previous year.

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1986-89

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA 1986	1987	1988	1989	% chg. 89/88
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	947.0	1,013.0	1,009.8	1,090.5	+ 8
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	49.30	61.10	65.70	68.20	+ 4
Calves	Dols./Cwt	62.60	80.70	90.60	88.40	- 2
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	484.1	641.6	693.3	769.6	+11
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	54.8	66.8	77.6	88.6	+14
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	42.10	45.80	36.60	38.30	+ 5
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	23.1	30.8	28.6	34.2	+20
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	36.2	34.5	36.8	37.4	+ 2
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	22.70	27.40	22.20	20.80	- 6
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	67.20	80.50	66.30	65.80	- 1
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	20.5	21.6	21.3	20.8	- 2

Cattle & Calves
January 1 Inventory, 1940-1990



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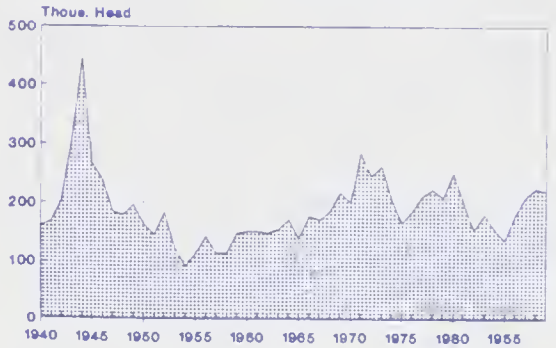

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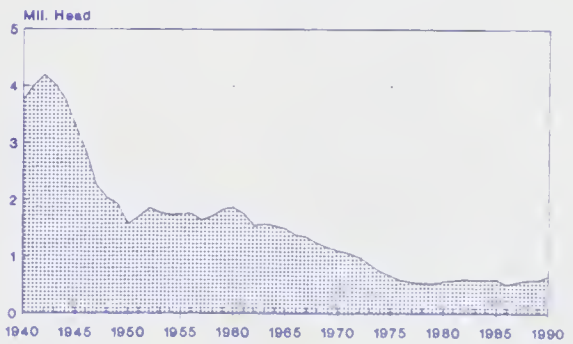
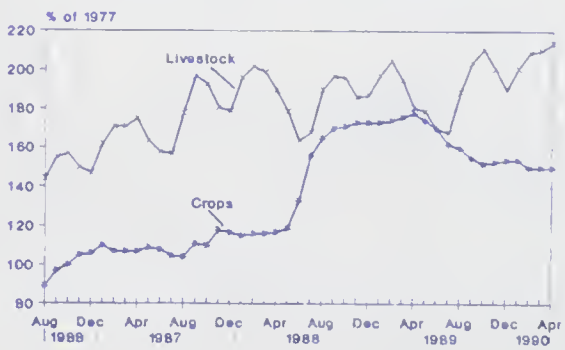


MONTANA CROP & LIVESTOCK PRICES RECEIVED INDEXES



PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1970	1980	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989 2/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	1.22	3.90	3.41	3.28	2.39	2.66	3.86	3.75
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	1.40	4.15	3.72	3.64	2.62	2.78	4.10	3.60
Durum Wheat	1.30	5.75	3.57	3.18	2.75	3.40	5.20	3.25
All Wheat	1.31	4.14	3.52	3.47	2.52	2.74	3.98	3.64
Oats	.53	1.96	1.77	1.50	1.37	1.49	2.26	1.45
Barley	.78	2.83	2.39	2.03	1.60	1.82	2.82	2.20
All Hay Baled (ton)	22.50	62.50	78.00	84.50	51.00	45.00	85.00	70.50
Hogs	22.40	37.20	43.90	38.50	42.10	45.80	36.60	38.30
Beef Cattle	27.00	58.00	47.20	47.60	49.30	61.10	65.70	68.20
Steers & Heifers	29.00	68.30	58.70	58.40	57.90	70.30	77.80	80.30
Calves	35.50	76.80	60.90	62.20	62.60	80.70	90.60	88.40
Cows	21.50	44.80	36.40	35.70	35.90	44.20	46.40	46.50
Lambs	26.10	61.70	60.30	66.80	67.20	80.50	66.30	65.80
Sheep	6.80	17.70	14.30	17.60	22.70	27.40	22.20	20.80
Chickens	.080	.080	.080	.070	.080	.060	.060	.070
Eggs	.446	.575	.640	.510	.560	.500	.480	.750
Wool	.38	1.00	.91	.67	.74	1.02	1.48	1.36
All Milk	5.65	12.80	13.80	13.10	12.70	12.50	12.20	13.50

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Preliminary.

MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK
Land in farms and ranches	60,600,000	acres	1989	2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:				
Total	1,386,053,000	dollars	1988	33
Crops	569,853,000	dollars	1988	34
Livestock	816,200,000	dollars	1988	31
LIVESTOCK and LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS				
All Cattle & Calves	2,350,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	13
All Cows	1,392,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	10
Beef Cows	1,368,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	7
Milk Cows	24,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	43
Cattle on Feed	80,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	21
Hogs and Pigs	220,000	head	Dec. 1, 1989	25
Sheep and Lambs	663,000	head	Jan. 1, 1990	5
Wool Production	5,600,000	pounds	1988	5
All Chickens	890,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1989	41
CROPS (Production)				
All Wheat	145,030,000	bushels	1989	4
Winter Wheat	54,000,000	bushels	1989	11
Durum Wheat	6,030,000	bushels	1989	4
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	85,000,000	bushels	1989	3
Barley	68,800,000	bushels	1989	2
Oats	6,670,000	bushels	1989	15
All Hay	4,470,000	tons	1989	15
Alfalfa Hay	2,970,000	tons	1989	9
Dry Beans	130,000	cwt	1989	13
Potatoes--fall	2,228,000	cwt	1989	15
Sugarbeets	1,033,000	tons	1989	8
Corn				
Grain	320,000	bushels	1989	41
Silage	1,350,000	tons	1989	20

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MONTANA FACTS AND FIGURES

Montana's 1980 population, at 786,690, was up 13 percent from 1970. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.3 in 1980--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 60.2 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

MONTANA POPULATION

Total, 1980 Census	786,690
People Per Square Mile	5.3
Farm Population	67,546
People Per Farm	2.8

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION [1]

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388 Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0 Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	60,203,993 Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.7 Percent

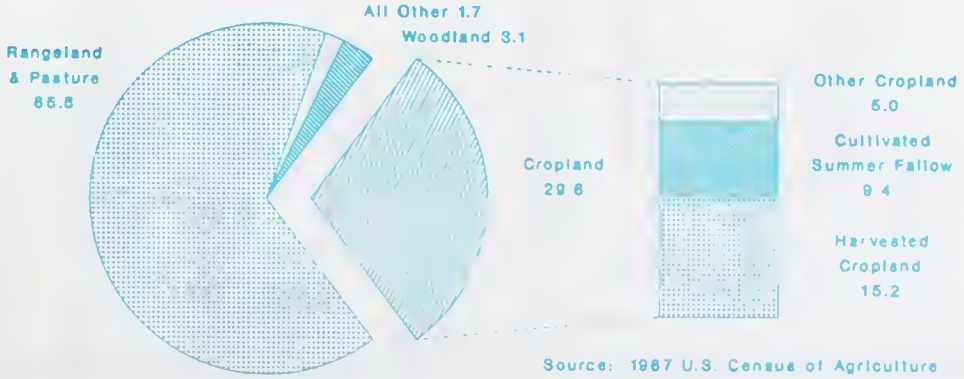
[1] 1987 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1989

Number of Farms & Ranches [1]	24,700	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch [3]	$596,186
Average Size of Farm or Ranch [1]	2,453 Acres	Average Value Per Acre [4]	$238
Total Farm & Ranch Assets [2]	$19.9 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation [5]	$110,271
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch [2]	$807,425		

[1] Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. [2] Includes household, buildings, machinery, livestock, crops, savings and investments. [3] Includes dwelling and other farm buildings. [4] Per acre, land and buildings, February 1, 1990. [5] Includes real estate, non-real estate, and CCC loans.

Land in Farms & Ranches
Utilization as Percentage of Total



MONTANA 1990 PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Montana's all wheat production in 1990, at 145.9 million bushels, was 16 percent above the 20-year average, about the same as a year ago. Even though year to year fluctuations in production have been significant, total wheat production has been mostly static the last two decades.

For barley, production in 1990 was 3 percent below the 20-year average, down sharply from a year ago. Barley acreage increased dramatically during the early part of the 1980's but has been mostly decreasing since 1986.

Montana's 1990 crop season was characterized by abnormal dryness in the eastern third of the state and relatively good growing conditions elsewhere.

1990 ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY 1/

		MONTANA								U.S.
		Acreage			Production			Season Avg. Price Per Unit	Value of Prod.	Production
	Year	Planted	Harv.	Unit	Yield Per Acre	Total	% Chg. From Prev. Year			
		Thousands				Thous.	%	$	Thous. $	Thous.
Winter Wheat	1987	2,300	2,200	Bu.	36.0	79,200	+24	2.66	210,672	1,565,381
	1988	2,450	2,100		19.0	39,900	-50	3.88	154,014	1,561,910
	1989	2,500	1,500		36.0	54,000	+35	3.73	201,420	1,454,642
	1990	2,700	2,500		35.0	87,500	+62	2.65	231,875	2,033,299
Durum Wheat	1987	195	190	Bu.	28.0	5,320	+23	3.40	18,088	92,617
	1988	280	230		9.0	2,070	-81	5.20	10,764	44,831
	1989	340	335		18.0	8,030	+191	3.31	19,959	92,229
	1990	245	235		19.0	4,465	-26	2.90	12,949	122,171
Other Spring Wheat	1987	2,400	2,300	Bu.	29.0	66,700	-5	2.78	185,426	449,687
	1988	2,000	1,500		12.0	18,000	-73	4.10	73,800	205,460
	1989	3,500	3,400		25.0	85,000	+372	3.64	309,400	489,747
	1990	2,800	2,450		22.0	53,900	-37	2.85	153,615	583,124
All Wheat	1987	4,895	4,690	Bu.	32.2	151,220	+9	2.74	414,186	2,107,685
	1988	4,730	3,830		15.7	59,970	-60	3.98	238,578	1,812,201
	1989	6,340	5,235		27.7	145,030	+142	3.66	530,779	2,036,618
	1990	5,745	5,185		28.1	145,865	+1	2.73	398,439	2,738,594
Barley	1987	2,300	2,100	Bu.	45.0	94,500	+11	1.82	171,990	521,499
	1988	1,800	1,250		24.0	30,000	-68	2.82	84,600	289,994
	1989	1,700	1,600		43.0	68,800	+129	2.21	152,048	404,203
	1990	1,800	1,380		41.0	56,580	-18	2.25	127,305	418,856
Oats	1987	235	110	Bu.	55.0	8,050	+46	1.49	9,015	373,713
	1988	210	90		31.0	2,790	-54	2.26	6,305	217,600
	1989	250	145		46.0	6,670	+139	1.42	9,471	373,587
	1990	160	70		40.0	2,800	-58	1.05	2,940	357,149
Corn for Grain 2/	1987	80	15	Bu.	105.0	1,575	+5	2.20	3,465	7,131,300
	1988	90	20		110.0	2,200	+40	3.15	6,930	4,928,681
	1989	80	4		80.0	320	-85	2.60	832	7,525,493
	1990	65	9		95.0	855	+167	2.50	2,138	7,933,068
Corn for Silage	1987	--	64	Tons	18.0	1,152	-4	--	--	86,442
	1988	--	67		19.0	1,273	+11	--	--	78,791
	1989	--	76		18.0	1,350	+6	--	--	86,109
	1990	--	55		19.0	1,045	-23	--	--	86,844
Potatoes (Fall)	1987	8.0	7.9	Cwt.	300.0	2,370	+8	5.65	13,391	344,998
	1988	7.8	7.7		280.0	2,156	-9	7.75	16,709	313,558
	1989	8.2	8.1		275.0	2,228	+3	8.25	18,381	324,673
	1990	9.0	8.9		280.0	2,492	+12	8.75	21,805	344,317
Dry Beans	1987	5.8	5.7	Cwt.	21.9	125	+29	12.00	1,500	26,031
	1988	4.4	4.0		19.0	76	-39	28.00	2,128	19,253
	1989	6.0	5.9		22.0	130	+71	27.50	3,575	23,729
	1990	13.5	13.0		16.9	220	+69	13.60	2,992	32,429
Sugar beets	1987	49.2	48.9	Tons	22.2	1,086	+7	42.20	45,829	28,072
	1988	49.8	48.9		21.1	1,032	-5	45.20	46,646	24,810
	1989	52.7	51.9		19.9	1,033	0	43.60	45,039	26,131
	1990	55.2	55.1		22.5	1,240	+20	--	--	27,593
Alfalfa Hay	1987	--	1,300	Tons	2.20	2,860	-4	--	--	84,225
	1988	--	1,100		1.90	2,090	-27	--	--	69,304
	1989	--	1,350		2.20	2,970	+42	--	--	77,370
	1990	--	1,350		2.50	3,375	+14	--	--	83,555
All Hay 3/	1987	--	2,200	Tons	1.91	4,210	-3	45.00	189,450	147,457
	1988	--	1,800		1.55	2,790	-34	85.00	237,150	126,010
	1989	--	2,350		1.90	4,470	+60	69.50	310,665	145,512
	1990	--	2,150		2.09	4,495	+1	67.00	301,165	146,985
Sweet Cherries 4/	1987	--	--	Tons	--	2,600	+160	877.00	2,280	212,820
	1988	--	--		--	1,900	-27	548.00	1,042	184,510
	1989	--	--		--	--	--	--	--	190,930
	1990	--	--		--	150	--	1,670.00	250	132,350
All Main Crops	1987	--	--		--	--	--	--	805,277 5/	--
	1988	--	--		--	--	--	--	593,442 5/	--
	1989	--	--		--	--	--	--	1,025,751 5/	--
	1990	--	--		--	--	--	--	911,098 5/	--

[1] All estimates for 1990 are preliminary. [2] Planted acreage of corn for all purposes. [3] Price of baled hay. [4] Utilized production in actual tons
[5] Excludes sugar beets value.

LIVESTOCK

CLASS OF LIVESTOCK	1990	MONTANA 1991	% Change '91/'90
		----000 Head---	
ALL CATTLE and CALVES	2,300	2,400	+4
Cows & Heifers that have calved			
Beef Cows	1,328	1,428	+8
Milk Cows	24	24	0
Heifers 500 pounds and over			
For beef cow replacement	325	323	-1
For milk cow replacement	7	8	+14
Other heifers	167	168	+1
Steers 500 pounds and over	181	190	+5
Bulls 500 pounds and over	75	79	+5
Calves less than 500 pounds	193	180	-7
All cattle value ($1,000)	1,552,500	1,812,000	+17
Value per head (Dollars)	675	755	+12
Number calves born 1/	1,350	1,400	+4
Number cattle farms 1/ (No.)	14,700	14,000	-5
Number milk cow farms 1/ (No.)	2,000	1,900	-5
		-000 Head-	
ALL HOGS and PIGS 2/	220	185	-16
Breeding	30	24	-20
Market	190	161	-15
All hog value ($1,000)	17,600	16,465	-6
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	89.00	+11
Pig Crop 1/	406	357	-12
Number of hog farms 1/ (No.)	1,600	1,500	-6
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS	663	683	+3
On feed	23	33	+43
Stock sheep	640	650	+2
Lambs			
Ewes	124	117	-6
Wethers and rams	9	12	+33
One year old & older			
Ewes	490	504	+3
Wethers and rams	17	17	0
All sheep value ($1,000)	56,355	43,712	-22
Value per head (Dollars)	85.00	64.00	-25
Lamb crop 1/ (1,000 head)	500	535	+7
Number of sheep farms (No.)	2,800	2,800	0
Sheep Shorn 1/	577	630	+9
Weight per fleece (Lbs.)	10.0	9.9	-1
Wool Production (1,000 Lbs.)	5,762	6,226	+8
Price per Pound (Dollars)	1.36	.91	-33
Value ($1,000)	7,836	5,666	-28

1/ Previous year. 2/ December 1, previous year.

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1987-90

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA 1987	1988	1989	1990	% chg. 90/89
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,013.0	1,009.8	1,131.5	982.1	-13
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	61.10	65.70	68.20	70.60	+4
Calves	Dols./Cwt	80.70	90.60	88.40	95.30	+8
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	641.6	693.3	767.5	725.5	-5
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	66.8	77.6	88.6	84.0	-5
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	45.80	36.60	38.30	50.00	+31
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	30.8	28.6	34.2	42.2	+23
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	34.5	36.8	37.4	49.7	+33
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	27.40	22.20	20.80	17.60	-15
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	80.50	66.30	65.80	48.30	-27
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	21.6	21.3	20.8	18.7	-10

Cattle & Calves
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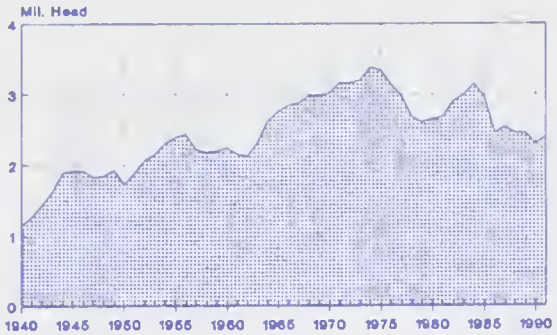

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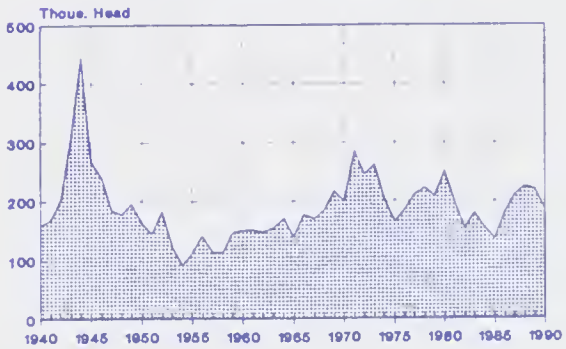

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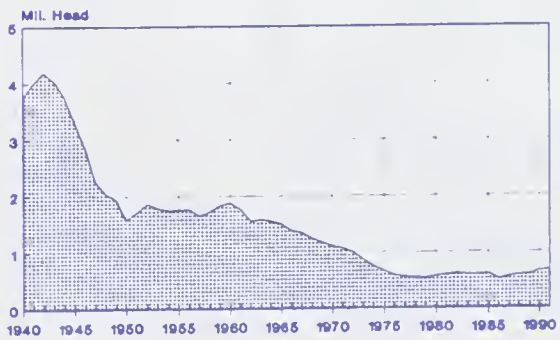

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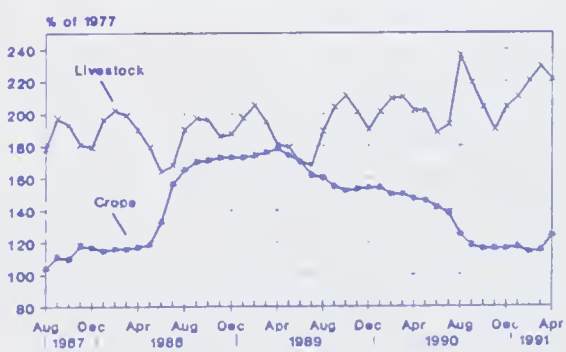

PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1970	1980	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990 2/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	1.22	3.90	3.28	2.39	2.66	3.86	3.73	2.55
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	1.40	4.15	3.64	2.62	2.78	4.10	3.64	2.80
Durum Wheat	1.30	5.75	3.18	2.75	3.40	5.20	3.31	2.75
All Wheat	1.31	4.14	3.47	2.52	2.74	3.98	3.66	2.65
Oats	.53	1.96	1.50	1.37	1.49	2.26	1.42	1.25
Barley	.78	2.83	2.03	1.60	1.82	2.82	2.21	2.25
All Hay Baled (ton)	22.50	62.50	84.50	51.00	45.00	85.00	69.50	65.50
Hogs	22.40	37.20	38.50	42.10	45.80	36.60	38.30	50.00
Beef Cattle	27.00	58.00	47.60	49.30	61.10	65.70	68.20	70.60
Steers & Heifers	29.00	68.30	58.40	57.90	70.30	77.80	80.30	83.30
Calves	35.50	76.80	62.20	62.60	80.70	90.60	88.40	95.30
Cows	21.50	44.80	35.70	35.90	44.20	46.40	46.50	51.00
Lambs	26.10	61.70	66.80	67.20	80.50	66.30	65.80	48.30
Sheep	6.80	17.70	17.60	22.70	27.40	22.20	20.80	17.60
Chickens	.080	.08	.070	.080	.060	.060	.070	.045
Eggs	.446	.57	.510	.560	.500	.480	.750	.680
Wool	.38	1.00	.67	.74	1.02	1.48	1.36	.91
All Milk	5.65	12.80	13.10	12.70	12.50	12.20	13.50	13.70

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MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM	UNIT		PERIOD OR DATE	RANK
Land in farms and ranches	60,500,000	acres	1990	2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:				
Total	1,609,736,000	dollars	1989	33
Crops	710,482,000	dollars	1989	31
Livestock	899,254,000	dollars	1989	30
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY AND WOOL PRODUCTION				
All Cattle & Calves	2,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	13
All Cows	1,452,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	9
Beef Cows	1,428,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	6
Milk Cows	24,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	42
Cattle on Feed	90,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	20
Hogs and Pigs	185,000	head	Dec. 1, 1990	35
Sheep and Lambs	683,000	head	Jan. 1, 1991	5
Wool Production	6,226,000	pounds	1990	4
All Chickens	760,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1990	42
CROPS (Production)				
All Wheat	145,865,000	bushels	1990	5
Winter Wheat	87,500,000	bushels	1990	6
Durum Wheat	4,465,000	bushels	1990	3
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	53,900,000	bushels	1990	4
Barley	56,580,000	bushels	1990	2
Oats	2,800,000	bushels	1990	17
All Hay	4,495,000	tons	1990	14
Alfalfa Hay	3,375,000	tons	1990	9
Dry Beans	220,000	cwt	1990	14
Potatoes--fall	2,492,000	cwt	1990	15
Sugar Beets	1,240,000	tons	1990	8
Corn				
Grain	855,000	bushels	1990	41
Silage	1,045,000	tons	1990	24

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MONTANA POPULATION

Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

[1/] 1987 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION [1/]

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388 Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0 Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	60,203,993 Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.7 Percent

FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1991

Number of Farms & Ranches [1/]	24,700	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch [3/]	$621,907
Average Size of Farm or Ranch [1/]	2,431 Acres	Average Value Per Acre [4/]	$252
Total Farm & Ranch Assets [2/]	$21.1 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation [5/]	$105,190
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch [2/]	$854,583		

[1/] Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. [2/] Includes household, buildings, machinery, livestock, crops, savings and investments. [3/] Includes dwelling and other farm buildings. [4/] Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1992. [5/] Includes real estate, non-real estate, and CCC loans.

Land in Farms & Ranches

Utilization as Percentage of Total

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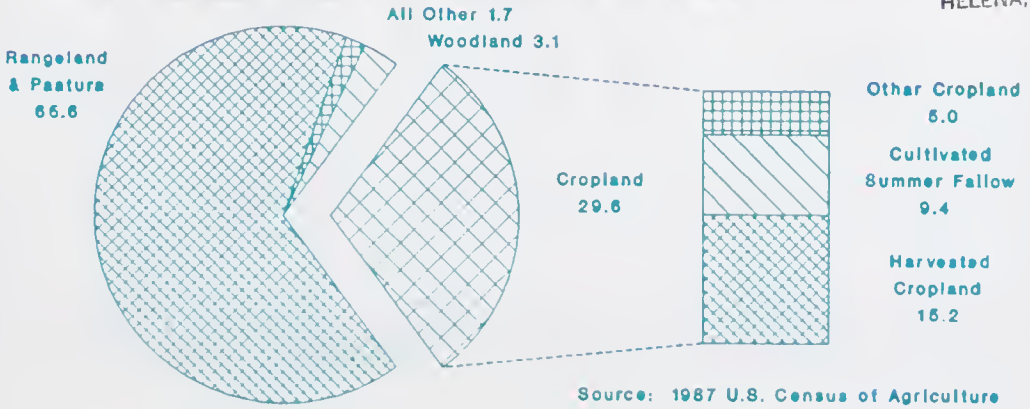


Source: 1987 U.S. Census of Agriculture

MONTANA ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY, 1992 1/

	Year	Acreage		Unit	Yield Per Acre	Total Prod	Current Year/ Prev Year	Season Avg. Price	Value of Prod	Current Year/ Prev Year	U.S. Prod
		Plant	Harv								
		Thousands				Thous	%	$	Thous $	%	Thous
Winter Wheat	1989	2,500	1,500	Bu.	36.0	54,000	135	3.73	201,420	131	1,454,642
	1990	2,700	2,500		35.0	87,500	162	2.53	221,375	110	2,030,874
	1991	2,350	1,800		40.0	72,000	82	3.13	225,360	102	1,372,617
	1992	2,600	2,100		29.0	60,900	85	3.30	200,970	89	1,606,534
Durum Wheat	1989	340	335	Bu.	18.0	6,030	291	3.31	19,959	185	92,229
	1990	245	235		19.0	4,465	74	2.72	12,145	61	122,430
	1991	180	179		33.0	5,907	132	2.81	16,599	137	103,957
	1992	160	157		33.0	5,181	88	3.05	15,802	95	97,196
Other Spring Wheat	1989	3,500	3,400	Bu.	25.0	85,000	472	3.64	309,400	419	489,747
	1990	2,800	2,450		22.0	53,900	63	2.80	150,920	49	583,124
	1991	2,600	2,400		34.0	81,600	49	3.24	264,384	175	504,565
	1992	2,650	2,450		30.0	73,500	90	3.60	264,600	100	755,100
All Wheat	1989	6,340	5,235	Bu.	27.7	145,030	242	3.66	530,779	222	2,036,618
	1990	5,745	5,185		28.1	145,865	101	2.65	384,440	72	2,736,428
	1991	5,130	4,379		36.4	159,507	109	3.17	506,343	132	1,981,139
	1992	5,410	4,707		29.7	139,581	88	3.45	481,372	95	2,458,830
Barley	1989	1,700	1,600	Bu.	43.0	68,800	229	2.21	152,048	180	404,203
	1990	1,600	1,380		41.0	56,580	82	2.30	130,134	86	422,196
	1991	1,800	1,650		52.0	85,800	152	2.34	200,722	154	464,326
	1992	1,350	1,200		44.0	52,800	62	2.60	137,280	68	456,348
Oats	1989	250	145	Bu.	46.0	6,670	239	1.42	9,471	150	373,587
	1990	160	70		40.0	2,800	42	1.25	3,500	37	357,524
	1991	200	110		55.0	6,050	216	1.30	7,865	225	243,451
	1992	165	70		56.0	3,920	65	1.20	4,704	60	294,604
Corn for Grain 2/	1989	80	4	Bu.	80.0	320	15	2.60	832	12	7,525,493
	1990	65	9		95.0	855	267	2.50	2,138	257	7,934,028
	1991	75	15		120.0	1,800	211	2.70	4,860	227	7,475,480
	1992	70	25		110.0	2,750	153	2.50	6,875	141	9,478,914
Corn for Silage	1989	--	75	Tons	18.0	1,350	106	--	--	--	86,109
	1990	--	55		19.0	1,045	77	--	--	--	86,844
	1991	--	59		18.0	1,062	102	--	--	--	80,543
	1992	--	43		21.0	903	85	--	--	--	86,862
Fall Potatoes	1989	8.2	8.1	Cwt.	275.0	2,228	103	8.25	18,381	110	324,673
	1990	9.0	8.9		280.0	2,492	112	8.60	21,431	117	352,507
	1991	9.4	9.3		300.0	2,790	112	5.70	15,903	74	371,730
	1992	8.6	8.5		290.0	2,465	88	8.20	20,213	127	366,064
Dry Beans	1989	6.0	5.9	Cwt.	22.0	130	171	27.50	3,575	168	23,729
	1990	13.5	13.0		16.9	220	169	13.60	2,992	84	32,379
	1991	9.0	8.3		19.0	158	72	13.20	2,086	70	33,765
	1992	10.2	9.5		19.0	181	115	19.10	3,457	166	22,047
Sugar Beets	1989	52.7	51.9	Tons	19.9	1,033	100	43.60	45,039	97	25,131
	1990	55.2	55.1		22.5	1,240	120	43.20	53,568	119	27,513
	1991	56.6	56.3		23.3	1,312	106	37.30	48,938	91	28,203
	1992	55.9	55.8		22.8	1,272	97	--	--	--	28,848
Alfalfa Hay	1989	--	1,350	Tons	2.20	2,970	142	--	--	--	77,370
	1990	--	1,350		2.50	3,375	114	65.00	219,375	--	83,555
	1991	--	1,500		2.50	3,750	111	51.50	193,125	88	83,795
	1992	--	1,400		2.35	3,290	88	72.00	236,880	123	79,652
Other Hay	1989	--	1,000	Tons	1.50	1,500	214	--	--	--	--
	1990	--	800		1.40	1,120	75	56.00	62,720	--	63,265
	1991	--	900		1.60	1,440	129	46.00	66,240	106	69,530
	1992	--	850		1.60	1,120	78	62.00	84,320	127	69,488
All Hay 3/	1989	--	2,350	Tons	1.90	4,470	160	69.50	300,900	127	145,512
	1990	--	2,150		2.09	4,495	101	64.00	282,095	94	146,820
	1991	--	2,400		2.16	5,190	115	50.50	259,365	92	153,325
	1992	--	2,250		2.07	4,650	90	71.00	321,200	124	149,140
Sweet 4/ Cherries	1989	--	--	Tons	--	--	--	--	--	--	190,930
	1990	--	--		--	150	--	1,670.00	250	--	132,350
	1991	--	--		--	--	--	--	--	--	143,400
	1992	--	--		--	340	--	988.00	336	--	177,082
All Main Crops	1989	--	--		--	--	--	--	1,061,025	166	--
	1990	--	--		--	--	--	--	880,548	83	--
	1991	--	--		--	--	--	--	1,052,135	119	--
	1992	--	--		--	--	--	--	5/ 1,075,055	102	--

1/ All estimates for 1992 are preliminary. 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all puposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Utilized production in actual tons. 5/ 1991 price used to compute value of production for 1992 sugar beet crop.

MONTANA LIVESTOCK

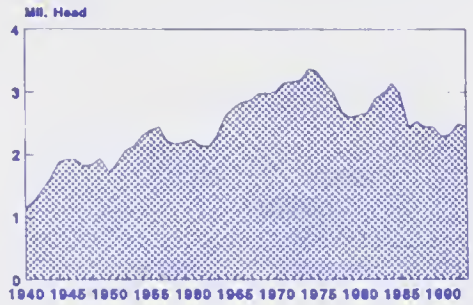
	1/1/1992	1/1/1993	'93/'92
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,500,000	2,450,000	98
Cows & Heifers that have calved:			
Beef Cows	1,436,000	1,460,000	102
Milk Cows	24,000	23,000	96
Heifers 500 pounds and over:			
For beef cow replacement	350,000	345,000	99
For milk cow replacement	8,000	8,000	100
Other heifers	182,000	152,000	84
Steers 500 pounds and over	220,000	187,000	85
Bulls 500 pounds and over	85,000	85,000	100
Calves less than 500 pounds	195,000	190,000	97
Cattle on Feed	90,000	75,000	83
All cattle value (Million $)	1,800	1,850	103
Value per head (Dollars)	720.00	755.00	105
	1991	1992	'92/'91
Calves born (Head)	1,400,000	1,430,000	102
Number of cattle farms	13,400	12,800	96
Operations with beef cattle	11,900	11,700	98
Operations with milk cows	1,800	1,600	89
	12/1/91	12/1/92	'92/'91
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	225,000	215,000	96
Kept for Breeding	26,000	24,000	92
Market	199,000	191,000	96
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	15.3	15.9	104
Value per head (Dollars)	68.00	74.00	109
Sows Farrowing:	1991	1992	'92/'91
Dec. 1/-May	25,000	24,000	96
Jun-Nov	26,000	22,000	85
Pig Crop:			
Dec. 1/-May	207,000	201,000	97
Jun-Nov	213,000	184,000	86
Pigs Per Litter:			
Dec. 1/-May	8.3	8.4	101
Jun-Nov	8.2	8.4	102
Operations With Hogs	1,300	1,100	85
	1/1/92	1/1/93	'93/'92
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	658,000	554,00	84
On feed	38,000	34,000	89
Stock sheep	620,000	520,000	84
One year old & older			
Ewes	487,000	407,000	84
Wethers and rams	17,000	15,000	88
Lambs 3-12 months old			
Ewes	105,000	89,000	85
Wethers and rams	11,000	9,000	82
All sheep value (Million $)	37.5	36.6	97
Value per head (Dollars)	57.00	66.00	116
	1991	1992	'92/'91
Lamb crop (Head)	585,000	506,000	86
Number of sheep farms	2,800	2,500	89

1/ Previous year.

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1989-92

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA				
		1989	1990	1991	1992	92/91
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,131.5	1,017.1	930.1	1,099.0	118
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	68.20	70.60	69.80	66.50	95
Calves	Dols./Cwt	88.40	95.30	93.70	90.30	96
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	767.5	751.7	677.1	760.8	112
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	88.6	84.0	99.7	105.0	105
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	38.30	50.00	44.40	37.60	85
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	34.2	42.2	44.4	39.7	89
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	37.4	49.4	56.2	61.6	110
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	20.80	17.60	18.50	23.60	128
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	65.80	48.30	46.80	55.50	119
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	20.8	18.7	20.6	25.1	122

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-1993



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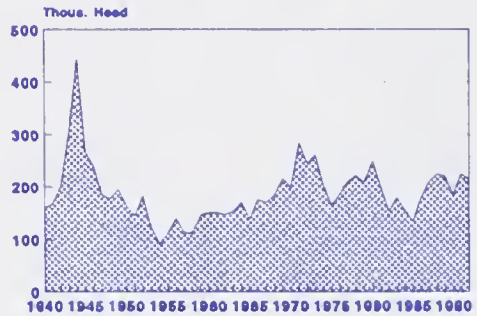

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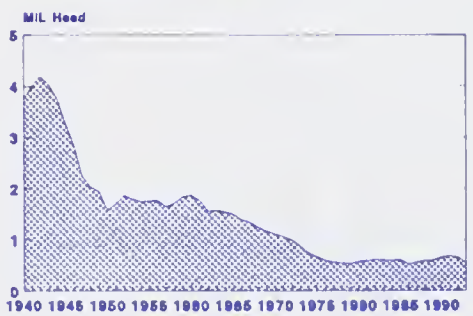

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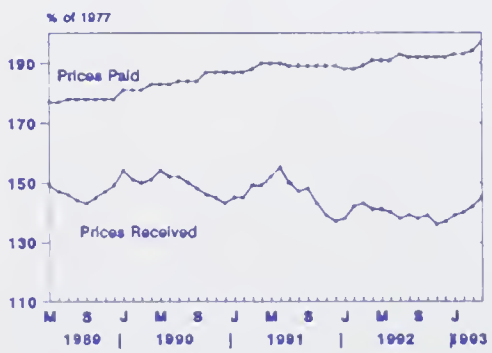

MARKET-YEAR-AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1980	1985	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992 2/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	3.90	3.28	2.66	3.86	3.73	2.53	3.13	3.30
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	4.15	3.64	2.78	4.10	3.64	2.80	3.24	3.60
Durum Wheat	5.75	3.18	3.40	5.20	3.31	2.72	2.81	3.05
All Wheat	4.14	3.47	2.74	3.98	3.66	2.65	3.17	3.45
Oats	1.96	1.50	1.49	2.26	1.42	1.25	1.30	1.20
Barley	2.83	2.03	1.82	2.82	2.21	2.30	2.34	2.60
All Hay Baled (ton)	62.50	84.50	45.00	85.00	69.50	64.00	50.50	71.00
Hogs	37.20	38.50	45.80	36.60	38.30	50.00	44.40	37.60
Beef Cattle	58.00	47.60	61.10	65.70	68.20	70.60	69.80	66.50
Steers & Heifers	68.30	58.40	70.30	77.80	80.30	83.30	84.90	80.00
Calves	76.80	62.20	80.70	90.60	88.40	95.30	93.70	90.30
Cows	44.80	35.70	44.20	46.40	46.50	51.00	50.10	47.90
Lambs	61.70	66.80	80.50	66.30	65.80	48.30	46.80	55.50
Sheep	17.70	17.60	27.40	22.20	20.80	17.60	18.50	23.60
Chickens	.08	.07	.06	.06	.07	.045	.04	.04
Eggs	.57	.51	.50	.48	.75	.68	.66	.49
Wool	1.00	.67	1.02	1.48	1.36	.91	.57	.85
All Milk	12.80	13.10	12.50	12.20	13.50	13.70	12.20	12.30

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All Cattle & Calves	2,450,000	head	Jan. 1, 1993	13
All Cows	1,483,000	head	Jan. 1, 1993	8
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Milk Cows	23,000	head	Jan. 1, 1993	42
Cattle on Feed	75,000	head	Jan. 1, 1993	23
Hogs and Pigs	215,000	head	Dec. 1, 1992	26
Sheep and Lambs	554,000	head	Jan. 1, 1993	6
Wool Production	5,971,000	pounds	1992	4
All Chickens	710,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1992	42
Egg Production	160,000,000	eggs	1992	42
Honey Production	9,570,000	pounds	1992	7
CROPS (Production)				
All Wheat	139,581,000	bushels	1992	5
Winter Wheat	60,900,000	bushels	1992	8
Durum Wheat	5,181,000	bushels	1992	2
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	73,500,000	bushels	1992	4
Barley	52,800,000	bushels	1992	3
Oats	3,920,000	bushels	1992	15
All Hay	4,650,000	tons	1992	13
Alfalfa Hay	3,290,000	tons	1992	10
Dry Beans	181,000	cwt	1992	14
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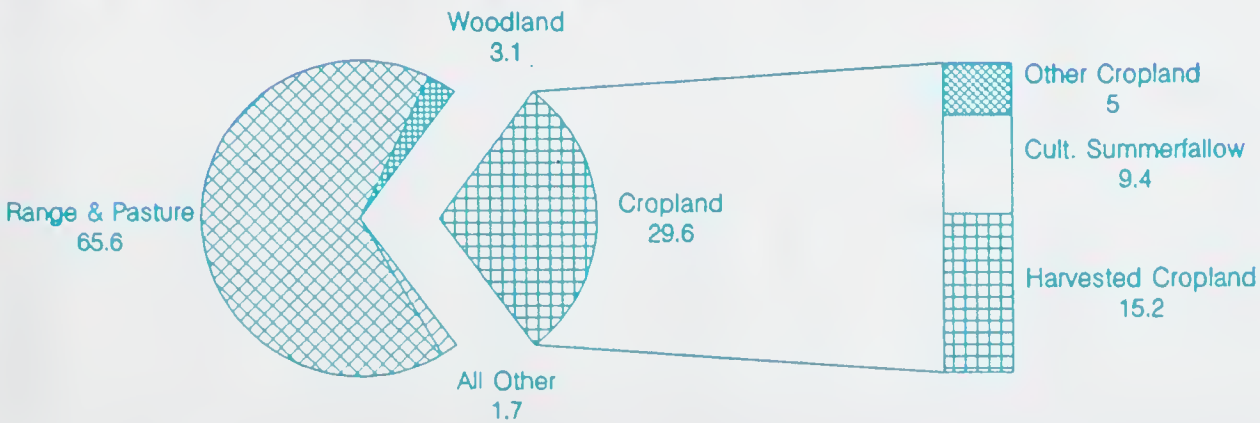
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$786,805		

[1/] Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. [2/] Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt.
[3/] Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1993.

LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



Source: 1987 Census of Agriculture.

Montana Annual Crop Summary, 1990-93 1/

Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg Price	Value of Production	US Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1990	2,700	2,500	35.0	87,500	$2.53	$221,375	2,030,874
	1991	2,350	1,800	40.0	72,000	3.13	225,360	1,372,617
	1992	2,600	2,100	29.0	60,900	3.29	200,361	1,606,534
	1993	2,650	2,450	**42.0	102,900	3.15	324,135	1,769,158
Durum Wheat	1990	245	235	19.0	4,465	$2.72	$12,145	122,430
	1991	180	179	33.0	5,907	2.81	16,599	103,957
	1992	160	157	33.0	5,181	3.06	15,854	97,196
	1993	115	114	31.0	3,534	4.15	14,666	68,926
Other Spring Wheat	1990	2,800	2,450	22.0	53,900	$2.80	$150,920	583,124
	1991	2,600	2,400	34.0	81,600	3.24	264,384	504,565
	1992	2,650	2,450	30.0	73,500	3.54	260,190	755,218
	1993	2,750	2,650	**37.0	**98,050	3.55	**348,078	563,971
All Wheat	1990	5,745	5,185	28.1	145,865	$2.65	$384,440	2,736,428
	1991	5,130	4,379	36.4	159,507	3.17	506,343	1,981,139
	1992	5,410	4,707	29.7	139,581	3.42	476,405	2,458,948
	1993	5,515	5,214	**39.2	**204,484	3.40	**686,879	2,402,055
Barley	1990	1,600	1,380	41.0	56,580	$2.30	$130,134	422,196
	1991	1,800	1,650	52.0	85,800	2.34	200,772	464,326
	1992	1,350	1,200	44.0	52,800	2.39	126,192	457,910
	1993	1,300	1,100	**58.0	63,800	2.05	130,790	400,225
Oats	1990	160	70	40.0	2,800	$1.25	$3,500	357,524
	1991	200	110	55.0	6,050	1.30	7,865	243,451
	1992	165	70	56.0	3,920	1.23	4,822	294,764
	1993	*140	70	**65.0	4,550	1.35	6,143	206,253
Corn for Grain 2/	1990	65	9	95.0	855	$2.50	$2,138	7,934,028
	1991	75	15	120.0	1,800	2.70	4,860	7,475,480
	1992	70	25	110.0	2,750	2.50	6,875	9,481,688
	1993	65	8	105.0	840	2.90	2,436	6,344,045
			Thousands	Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1990	--	55	19.0	1,045	--	--	86,844
	1991	--	59	18.0	1,062	--	--	80,543
	1992	--	43	21.0	903	--	--	86,849
	1993	--	55	18.0	990	--	--	82,052
Sugar beets	1990	55.2	55.1	22.5	1,240	$43.20	$53,568	27,513
	1991	56.6	56.3	23.3	1,312	37.30	48,938	28,203
	1992	55.9	55.8	22.8	1,272	43.80	55,714	29,143
	1993	54.4	54.1	21.6	1,169	--	--	26,396
Alfalfa Hay	1990	--	1,350	2.50	3,375	$65.00	$219,375	83,555
	1991	--	1,500	2.50	3,750	51.50	193,125	83,795
	1992	--	1,400	2.40	3,360	71.50	240,240	79,571
	1993	--	***1,500	2.50	***3,750	70.00	262,500	80,878
Other Hay	1990	--	800	1.40	1,120	$56.00	$62,720	--
	1991	--	900	1.60	1,440	46.00	66,240	69,530
	1992	--	850	1.60	1,360	60.50	82,280	69,292
	1993	--	870	**1.70	1,479	59.00	87,261	67,976
All Hay 3/	1990	--	2,150	2.09	4,495	$64.00	$282,095	146,820
	1991	--	2,400	2.16	5,190	50.50	259,365	153,325
	1992	--	2,250	2.10	4,720	69.50	322,520	148,863
	1993	--	2,370	**2.21	**5,229	68.00	**349,761	148,854
Sweet Cherries 4/	1990	--	--	--	150	$1,670.00	$250	132,350
	1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	139,900
	1992	--	--	--	340	988.00	336	192,050
	1993	--	--	--	105	1,590.00	167	160,575
			Thousands	Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes	1990	9.0	8.9	280.0	2,492	$8.60	$21,431	352,507
	1991	9.4	9.3	300.0	2,790	5.70	15,903	371,730
	1992	8.6	8.5	290.0	2,465	8.40	20,706	379,525
	1993	9.1	9.0	300.0	2,700	9.50	**25,650	376,789
Dry Beans	1990	13.5	13.0	16.9	220	$13.60	$2,992	32,379
	1991	9.0	8.3	19.0	158	13.20	2,086	33,765
	1992	10.2	9.5	19.0	181	19.10	3,457	22,615
	1993	12.0	11.0	14.1	155	27.30	4,232	21,842

1/ All estimates for 1993 are preliminary 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay
4/ Utilized production in actual tons *Record low **Record high ***Tied previous high.

MONTANA LIVESTOCK

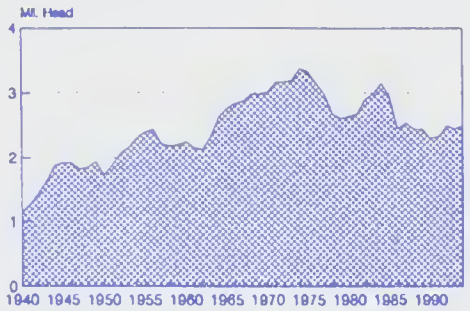
	1/1/1993	1/1/1994	'94/'93
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,450,000	2,500,000	102
Cows & Heifers that have calved:			
Beef Cows	1,460,000	1,438,000	98
Milk Cows	23,000	22,000	96
Heifers 500 pounds and over:			
For beef cow replacement	345,000	355,000	103
For milk cow replacement	8,000	8,000	100
Other heifers	152,000	210,000	138
Steers 500 pounds and over	187,000	260,000	139
Bulls 500 pounds and over	85,000	82,000	96
Calves less than 500 pounds	190,000	125,000	66
Cattle on Feed	75,000	140,000	187
All cattle value (Million $)	1,850	1,938	105
Value per head (Dollars)	755.00	775.00	103
	1992	1993	'93/'92
Calves born (Head)	1,430,000	1,420,000	99
Number of cattle farms	12,800	12,700	99
Operations with beef cattle	11,700	11,600	99
Operations with milk cows	1,600	1,300	81
	12/1/92	12/1/93	'93/'92
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	215,000	180,000	84
Kept for Breeding	24,000	20,000	83
Market	191,000	160,000	84
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	15.9	14.4	91
Value per head (Dollars)	74.00	80.00	108
Sows Farrowing:	1992	1993	'93/'92
Dec. 1/-May	24,000	22,000	92
Jun-Nov	22,000	20,000	91
Pig Crop:			
Dec. 1/-May	201,000	186,000	93
Jun-Nov	184,000	169,000	92
Pigs Per Litter:			
Dec. 1/-May	8.4	8.5	101
Jun-Nov	8.4	8.5	101
Operations With Hogs	1,100	1,200	109
	1/1/93	1/1/94	'94/'93
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	534,00	502,000	94
On feed	34,000	32,000	94
Stock sheep	500,000	470,000	94
One year old & older			
Ewes	392,000	380,000	97
Wethers and rams	15,000	13,000	87
Lambs 3-12 months old			
Ewes	84,000	71,000	85
Wethers and rams	9,000	6,000	67
All sheep value (Million $)	35.2	32.6	93
Value per head (Dollars)	66.00	65.00	98
	1992	1993	'93/'92
Lamb crop (Head)	496,000	460,000	93
Number of sheep farms	2,500	2,500	100

1/ Previous year.

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1989-92

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA				
		1990	1991	1992	1993	93/92
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,017.1	930.1	1,099.0	1,035.9	94
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	70.60	69.80	66.50	75.60	114
Calves	Dols./Cwt	95.30	93.70	90.30	97.00	107
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	751.7	677.1	760.8	798.8	105
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	84.0	99.7	105.0	104.8	100
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	50.00	44.40	37.60	44.10	117
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	42.2	44.4	39.7	46.4	117
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	49.4	56.2	61.6	43.8	71
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	17.60	18.50	23.60	26.80	114
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	48.30	46.80	55.50	65.20	117
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	18.7	20.6	25.0	23.60	94

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-1994



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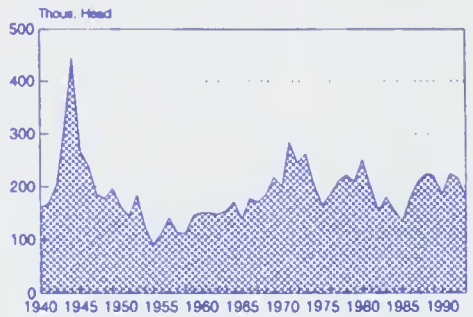

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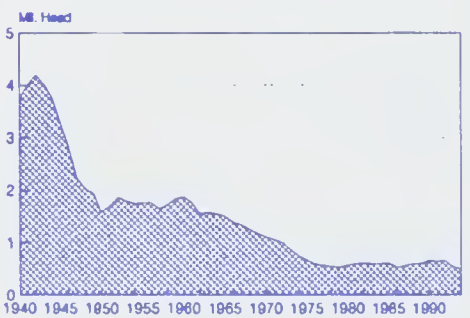

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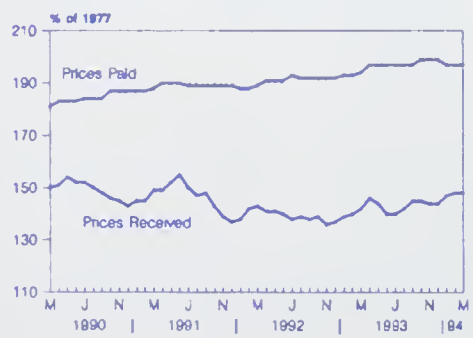

MARKET-YEAR-AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1980	1985	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993 2/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	3.90	3.28	3.86	3.73	2.53	3.13	3.29	3.15
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	4.15	3.64	4.10	3.64	2.80	3.24	3.54	3.55
Durum Wheat	5.75	3.18	5.20	3.31	2.72	2.81	3.06	4.15
All Wheat	4.14	3.47	3.98	3.66	2.65	3.17	3.42	3.40
Oats	1.96	1.50	2.26	1.42	1.25	1.30	1.23	1.35
Barley	2.83	2.03	2.82	2.21	2.30	2.34	2.39	2.05
All Hay Baled (ton)	62.50	84.50	85.00	69.50	64.00	50.50	69.50	68.00
Hogs	37.20	38.50	36.60	38.30	50.00	44.40	37.60	44.10
Beef Cattle	58.00	47.60	65.70	68.20	70.60	69.80	66.50	75.60
Steers & Heifers	68.30	58.40	77.80	80.30	83.30	84.90	80.00	86.00
Calves	76.80	62.20	90.60	88.40	95.30	93.70	90.30	97.00
Cows	44.80	35.70	46.40	46.50	51.00	50.10	47.90	49.30
Lambs	61.70	66.80	66.30	65.80	48.30	46.80	55.50	65.20
Sheep	17.70	17.60	22.20	20.80	17.60	18.50	23.60	26.80
Chickens	.08	.07	.06	.07	.045	.04	.025	.04
Eggs	.57	.51	.48	.75	.68	.66	.49	.63
Wool	1.00	.67	1.48	1.36	.91	.57	.85	.54
All Milk	12.80	13.10	12.20	13.50	13.70	12.20	13.30	13.30

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Preliminary.

MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% Of TOTAL U.S.
Land in farms and ranches	59,900,000	acres	1993	2	6.1
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:					
Total	1,742,408,000	dollars	1992	33	1.0
Crops	821,096,000	dollars	1992	31	1.0
Livestock	921,312,000	dollars	1992	30	1.1
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY AND PRODUCTION					
All Cattle & Calves	2,500,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	13	2.5
All Cows	1,460,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	9	3.3
Beef Cows	1,438,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	6	4.1
Milk Cows	22,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	43	0.2
Cattle on Feed	105,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	20	0.8
Hogs and Pigs	180,000	head	Dec. 1, 1993	26	0.3
Sheep and Lambs	502,000	head	Jan. 1, 1994	6	5.5
Wool Production	5,581,000	pounds	1993	4	7.2
All Chickens	550,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1993	42	0.1
Egg Production	125,000,000	eggs	1993	42	0.2
Honey Production	8,526,000	pounds	1993	8	3.7
CROPS (Production)					
All Wheat	204,484,000	bushels	1993	3	8.5
Winter Wheat	102,900,000	bushels	1993	5	5.8
Durum Wheat	3,534,000	bushels	1993	4	5.1
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	98,050,000	bushels	1993	2	17.4
Barley	63,800,000	bushels	1993	2	15.9
Oats	4,550,000	bushels	1993	13	2.2
All Hay	5,229,000	tons	1993	11	3.5
Alfalfa Hay	3,750,000	tons	1993	9	4.6
Dry Beans	155,000	cwt	1993	15	0.7
Potatoes--fall	2,700,000	cwt	1993	15	0.7
Sugar Beets	1,169,000	tons	1993	8	4.4
Corn					
Grain	840,000	bushels	1993	41	1/
Silage	990,000	tons	1993	24	1.2

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MONTANA FACTS AND FIGURES

Montana's 1990 population, at 799,065, was up 1.6 percent from 1980. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.5 in 1990--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 60.2 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

MONTANA POPULATION

Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION [1/]

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388 Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0 Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,642,536 Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.1 Percent

[1/] 1992 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1993

Number of Farms & Ranches [1/]	23,800	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$684,340
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,445 Acres	Average Value Per Acre [3/]	$302
Total Farm & Ranch Assets [2/]	$21.2 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$105,471
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$891,008		

[1/] Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. [2/] Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt.
[3/] Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1994.

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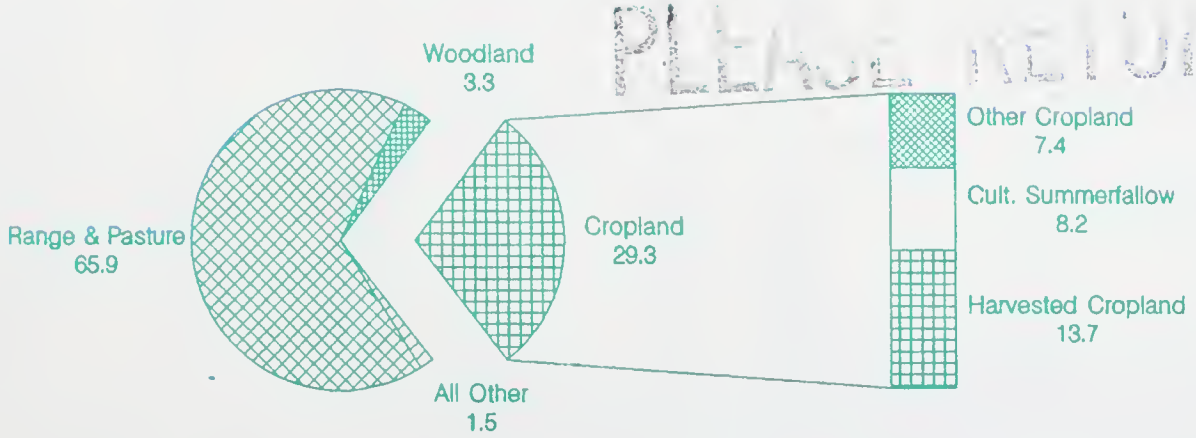
Utilization as a Percentage of Total



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		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1991	2,350	1,900	40.0	76,000	$3.13	$237,880	1,371,617
	1992	2,600	2,250	29.0	65,250	3.29	214,673	1,609,284
	1993	2,650	2,450	**42.0	102,900	3.26	335,454	1,760,143
	1994	1,950	1,850	35.0	64,750	3.65	236,338	1,661,043
Durum Wheat	1991	180	179	33.0	5,907	$2.81	$16,599	103,957
	1992	150	147	33.0	4,851	3.06	14,844	99,906
	1993	115	114	31.0	3,534	4.83	17,069	70,476
	1994	180	178	30.0	5,340	5.25	28,035	97,347
Other Spring Wheat	1991	2,600	2,400	34.0	81,600	$3.24	$264,384	504,565
	1992	2,750	2,550	31.0	79,050	3.54	279,837	757,608
	1993	2,800	2,700	**37.0	99,900	3.63	362,637	565,821
	1994	3,450	3,350	30.0	**100,500	3.80	**381,900	562,220
All Wheat	1991	5,130	4,479	36.5	163,507	$3.17	$518,863	1,980,139
	1992	5,500	4,947	30.1	149,151	3.42	509,534	2,466,798
	1993	5,565	5,264	**39.2	**206,334	3.50	**715,160	2,396,440
	1994	5,580	5,378	31.7	170,590	3.80	646,273	2,320,610
Barley	1991	1,800	1,650	52.0	85,800	$2.34	$200,772	464,326
	1992	1,350	1,200	44.0	52,800	2.39	126,192	455,090
	1993	1,300	1,100	**58.0	63,800	2.06	131,428	398,041
	1994	1,300	1,200	44.0	52,800	2.25	118,800	374,862
Oats	1991	200	110	55.0	6,050	$1.30	$7,865	243,851
	1992	165	90	56.0	5,040	1.23	6,199	294,229
	1993	140	85	**65.0	5,525	1.41	7,790	206,770
	1994	*140	75	48.0	3,600	1.30	4,680	229,857
Corn for Grain 2/	1991	75	15	120.0	1,800	$2.70	$4,860	7,474,765
	1992	70	25	110.0	2,750	2.50	6,875	9,476,698
	1993	65	8	105.0	840	2.90	2,436	6,336,470
	1994	60	20	**135.0	2,700	2.65	7,155	10,103,030
			Thousands	Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1991	--	59	18.0	1,062	--	--	81,216
	1992	--	43	21.0	903	--	--	87,663
	1993	--	55	18.0	990	--	--	81,289
	1994	--	39	21.0	819	--	--	87,949
Sugar beets	1991	56.6	56.3	23.3	**1,312	$37.30	$48,938	28,203
	1992	55.9	55.8	22.8	1,272	43.80	55,714	29,143
	1993	54.4	54.1	21.6	1,169	43.60	50,968	26,249
	1994	54.3	54.0	**24.2	1,307	--	--	32,008
Alfalfa Hay	1991	--	1,350	2.50	3,375	$51.50	$173,813	83,319
	1992	--	1,300	2.30	2,990	71.50	213,785	79,140
	1993	--	1,450	2.40	3,480	69.50	241,860	80,305
	1994	--	**1,550	2.30	**3,565	70.00	249,550	81,398
Other Hay	1991	--	800	1.60	1,280	$46.00	$58,880	68,754
	1992	--	780	1.60	1,248	60.50	75,504	67,763
	1993	--	780	**1.70	1,326	59.00	78,234	66,494
	1994	--	650	1.50	975	61.50	59,963	68,726
All Hay 3/	1991	--	2,150	2.17	4,655	$50.50	$232,693	152,073
	1992	--	2,080	2.04	4,238	69.50	289,289	146,903
	1993	--	2,230	2.16	4,806	68.00	**320,094	146,799
	1994	--	2,200	2.06	4,540	69.00	309,513	150,124
Sweet Cherries 4/	1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	139,900
	1992	--	--	--	340	$988.00	$336	192,050
	1993	--	--	--	105	1,590.00	167	160,575
	1994	--	--	--	640	1,200.00	768	192,810
			Thousands	Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes	1991	9.4	9.3	300.0	2,790	$5.70	$15,903	417,622
	1992	8.6	8.5	290.0	2,465	8.40	20,706	425,367
	1993	9.1	9.0	300.0	2,700	8.95	24,165	428,693
	1994	10.0	10.0	**320.0	**3,200	8.20	**26,240	459,342
Dry Beans	1991	9.0	8.3	19.0	158	$13.20	$2,086	33,765
	1992	10.2	9.5	19.0	181	19.10	3,457	22,615
	1993	12.0	11.0	14.1	155	27.30	4,232	21,913
	1994	10.2	10.0	22.0	220	16.90	3,718	29,187

1/ All estimates for 1994 are preliminary 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay
4/ Utilized production in actual tons *Record low **Record high

MONTANA LIVESTOCK

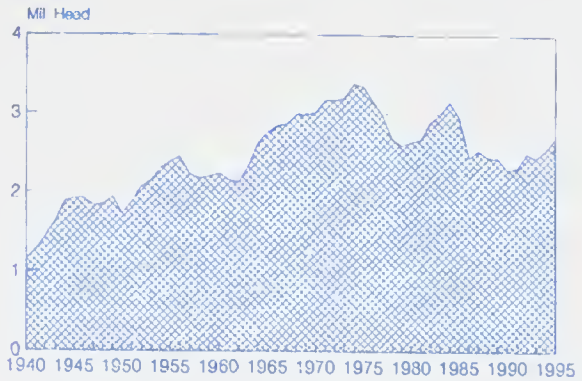
	1/1/1994	1/1/1995	'95/'94
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,550,000	2,700,000	106
Cows & Heifers that have calved:			
Beef Cows	1,478,000	1,589,000	108
Milk Cows	22,000	21,000	95
Heifers 500 pounds and over:			
For beef cow replacement	355,000	355,000	100
For milk cow replacement	8,000	7,000	90
Other heifers	210,000	222,000	106
Steers 500 pounds and over	264,000	260,000	98
Bulls 500 pounds and over	88,000	96,000	109
Calves less than 500 pounds	125,000	150,000	120
Cattle on Feed	110,000	125,000	114
All cattle value (Million $)	1,989	1,823	92
Value per head (Dollars)	780.00	675.00	87
	1993	1994	'94/'93
Calves born (Head)	1,440,000	1,520,000	106
Number of cattle farms	13,100	13,000	99
Operations with beef cattle	11,800	11,500	97
Operations with milk cows	1,300	1,000	91
	12/1/93	12/1/94	'94/'93
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	180,000	210,000	117
Kept for Breeding	20,000	22,000	110
Market	160,000	188,000	118
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	14.4	11.8	82
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	56.00	70
Sows Farrowing:	1993	1994	'94/'93
Dec. 1/-May	22,000	22,000	100
Jun-Nov	20,000	24,000	120
Pig Crop:			
Dec. 1/-May	186,000	186,000	100
Jun-Nov	169,000	200,000	118
Pigs Per Litter:			
Dec. 1/-May	8.5	8.5	100
Jun-Nov	8.5	8.3	98
Operations With Hogs	1,100	950	86
	1/1/94	1/1/95	'95/'94
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	532,000	490,000	92
Market Sheep and Lambs 2/	32,000	40,000	125
Sheep	4,000	1,000	25
Lambs	28,000	39,000	139
Breeding Sheep	500,000	450,000	90
One year old & older			
Ewes	410,000	367,000	90
Rams 2/	14,000	12,000	86
Replacements Lambs	76,000	71,000	93
All sheep value (Million $)	34.7	33.3	96
Value per head (Dollars)	65.00	68.00	105
	1993	1994	'94/'93
Lamb crop (Head)	480,000	465,000	97
Number of sheep farms	2,500	2,300	92

1/ Previous year. 2/ Beginning January 1995 sheep and lambs on feed and wethers and rams were discontinued and replaced with market sheep and lambs and rams, respectively.

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1991-94

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA				
		1991	1992	1993	1994	94/93
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	930.1	1,099.0	1,053.0	1,009.9	96
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	69.80	66.50	75.60	71.60	95
Calves	Dols./Cwt	93.70	90.30	97.00	83.30	86
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	677.1	760.8	818.2	736.8	90
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	99.7	105.0	91.5	84.4	92
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	44.40	37.60	44.10	37.60	85
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	44.4	39.7	40.5	31.7	78
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	56.2	61.6	46.0	45.0	98
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	18.50	23.60	26.80	29.20	109
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	46.80	55.50	65.20	67.10	103
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	20.6	25.0	25.1	24.2	96

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-1995



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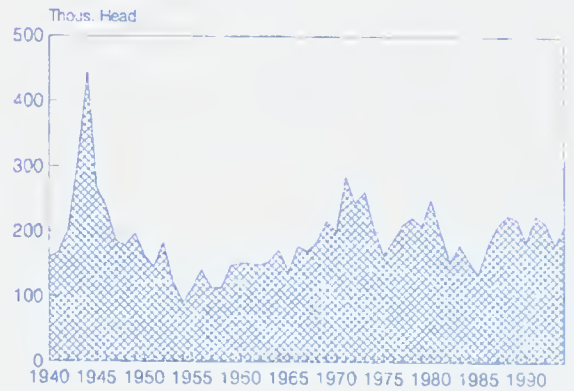

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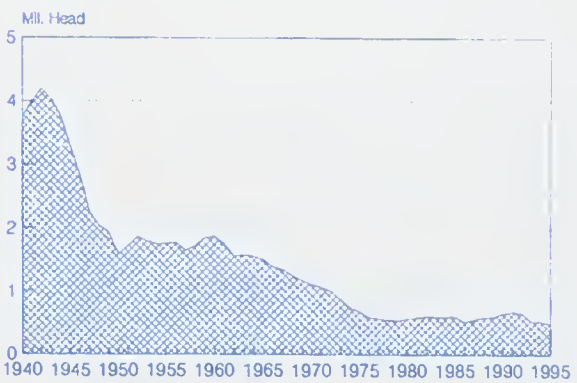

MARKET-YEAR-AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY MONTANA FARMERS 1/

COMMODITY	1980	1985	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994 2/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	3.90	3.28	3.73	2.53	3.13	3.29	3.26	3.65
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	4.15	3.64	3.64	2.80	3.24	3.54	3.63	3.80
Durum Wheat	5.75	3.18	3.31	2.72	2.81	3.06	4.83	5.25
All Wheat	4.14	3.47	3.66	2.65	3.17	3.42	3.50	3.80
Oats	1.96	1.50	1.42	1.25	1.30	1.23	1.41	1.30
Barley	2.83	2.03	2.21	2.30	2.34	2.39	2.06	2.25
All Hay Baled (ton)	62.50	84.50	69.50	64.00	50.50	69.50	68.00	69.00
Hogs	37.20	38.50	38.30	50.00	44.40	37.60	44.10	37.60
Beef Cattle	58.00	47.60	68.20	70.60	69.80	66.50	75.60	71.60
Steers & Heifers	68.30	58.40	80.30	83.30	84.90	80.00	86.00	78.90
Calves	76.80	62.20	88.40	95.30	93.70	90.30	97.00	83.30
Cows	44.80	35.70	46.50	51.00	50.10	47.90	49.30	43.10
Lambs	61.70	66.80	65.80	48.30	46.80	55.50	65.20	67.10
Sheep	17.70	17.60	20.80	17.60	18.50	23.60	26.80	29.20
Chickens	.08	.07	.07	.045	.04	.025	.04	.02
Eggs	.57	.51	.75	.68	.66	.49	.63	.55
Wool	1.00	.67	1.36	.91	.57	.85	.54	.86
All Milk	12.80	13.10	13.50	13.70	12.20	13.30	13.30	13.70

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Preliminary.

MONTANA'S RANK IN THE NATION'S AGRICULTURE

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% Of TOTAL U.S.
Land in farms and ranches	59,700,000	acres	1994	2	6.1
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:					
Total	1,781,032,000	dollars	1993	32	1.0
Crops	842,685,000	dollars	1993	31	1.0
Livestock	938,347,000	dollars	1993	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY AND PRODUCTION					
All Cattle & Calves	2,700,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	12	2.6
All Cows	1,610,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	9	3.5
Beef Cows	1,589,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	6	4.4
Milk Cows	21,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	45	0.2
Cattle on Feed	125,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	19	1.0
Hogs and Pigs	210,000	head	Dec. 1, 1994	27	0.4
Sheep and Lambs	490,000	head	Jan. 1, 1995	6	5.5
Wool Production	5,092,000	pounds	1994	4	7.4
All Chickens	510,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1994	42	0.1
Egg Production	95,000,000	eggs	1994	42	0.1
Honey Production	12,495,000	pounds	1994	6	5.8
CROPS (Production)					
All Wheat	170,590,000	bushels	1994	3	7.4
Winter Wheat	64,750,000	bushels	1994	7	3.9
Durum Wheat	5,340,000	bushels	1994	4	5.5
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	100,500,000	bushels	1994	2	17.9
Barley	52,800,000	bushels	1994	3	14.1
Oats	3,600,000	bushels	1994	15	1.6
All Hay	4,540,000	tons	1994	12	3.0
Alfalfa Hay	3,565,000	tons	1994	9	4.4
Dry Beans	220,000	cwt	1994	13	0.8
Potatoes--fall	3,200,000	cwt	1994	16	0.8
Sugar Beets	1,307,000	tons	1994	7	4.1
Corn					
Grain	2,700,000	bushels	1994	40	1/
Silage	819,000	tons	1994	28	0.9

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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MONTANA FACTS AND FIGURES

Montana's 1990 population, at 799,065, was up 1.6 percent from 1980. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.5 in 1990--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 59.7 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

MONTANA POPULATION

Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388 Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0 Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,642,536 Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.1 Percent

1/ 1992 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

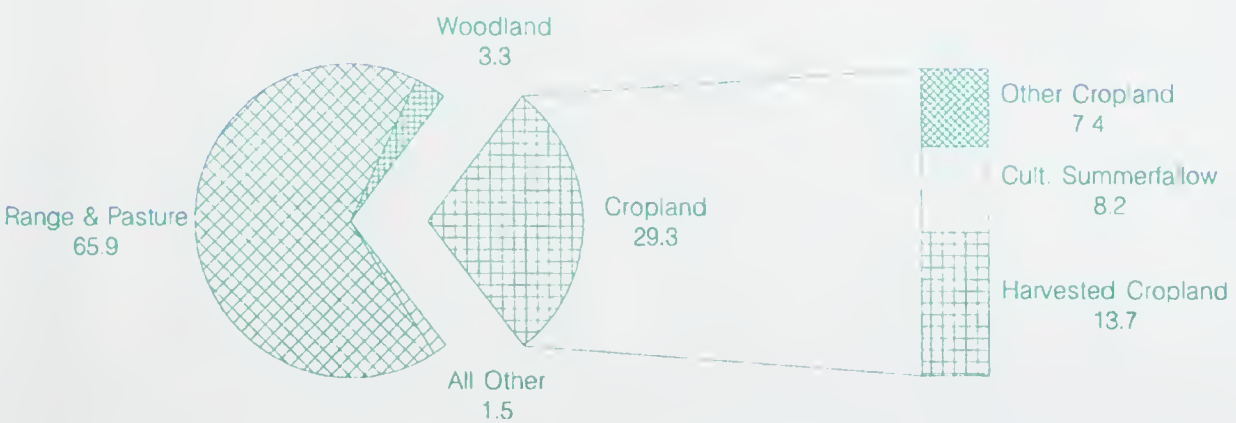
FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1994

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	22,500	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$662,844
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,653 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$277
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$19.5 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$114,836
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$867,769		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1995.

LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



Source: 1992 Census of Agriculture.

MONTANA ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY, 1992-95 1/

Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg Price	Value of Production	US Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1992	2,600	2,250	29.0	65,250	$3.29	$214,673	1,609,284
	1993	2,650	2,450	**42.0	102,900	3.26	335,454	1,760,143
	1994	1,950	1,850	35.0	64,750	3.45	223,338	1,661,943
	1995	1,500	1,370	40.0	54,800	**4.60	252,080	1,547,311
Durum Wheat	1992	150	147	**33.0	4,851	$3.06	$14,844	99,906
	1993	115	114	31.0	3,534	4.83	17,069	70,476
	1994	180	178	30.0	5,340	4.83	25,792	96,747
	1995	270	265	30.0	7,950	5.05	40,148	102,280
Other Spring Wheat	1992	2,750	2,550	31.0	79,050	$3.54	$279,837	757,608
	1993	2,800	2,700	**37.0	99,900	3.63	362,637	565,821
	1994	3,450	3,350	30.0	100,500	3.51	352,755	562,291
	1995	**3,950	**3,800	35.0	**133,000	**4 55	**605,150	535,948
All Wheat	1992	5,500	4,947	30.1	149,151	$3.42	$509,534	2,466,798
	1993	5,565	5,264	**39.2	**206,334	3.50	715,160	2,396,440
	1994	5,580	5,378	31.7	170,590	3.54	601,935	2,320,981
	1995	5,720	5,435	36.0	195,750	**4.60	**897,378	2,185,539
Barley	1992	1,350	1,200	44.0	52,800	$2.39	$126,192	455,090
	1993	1,300	1,100	**58.0	63,800	2.06	131,428	398,041
	1994	1,300	1,200	44.0	52,800	2.22	117,216	374,862
	1995	1,300	1,200	52.0	62,400	**3.10	193,440	359,102
Oats	1992	165	90	56.0	5,040	$1.23	$6,199	294,229
	1993	140	85	**65.0	5,525	1.41	7,790	206,770
	1994	*140	75	48.0	3,600	1.30	4,680	229,008
	1995	145	80	59.0	4,720	1.45	6,844	161,847
Corn for Grain 2/	1992	70	25	110.0	**2,750	$2.50	$6,875	9,476,698
	1993	65	8	105.0	840	2.90	2,436	6,336,470
	1994	60	20	**135.0	2,700	2.65	7,155	10,102,735
	1995	*55	16	120.0	1,920	3.00	5,760	7,373,876
		Thousands		Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1992	--	43	21.0	903	--	--	87,663
	1993	--	55	18.0	990	--	--	81,289
	1994	--	39	**21.0	819	--	--	88,588
	1995	--	38	20.0	760	--	--	77,867
Sugar beets	1992	55.9	55.8	22.8	1,272	$43.80	**$55,714	29,143
	1993	54.4	54.1	21.6	1,169	43.60	50,968	26,249
	1994	54.3	54.0	**24.2	1,307	41.90	54,763	31,853
	1995	55.7	55.5	21.5	1,193	--	--	27,954
Alfalfa Hay	1992	--	1,300	2.30	2,990	$71.50	$213,785	79,140
	1993	--	1,450	2.40	3,480	69.50	241,860	80,305
	1994	--	1,550	2.30	3,565	71.50	254,898	81,336
	1995	--	**1,600	2.50	**4,000	68.00	272,000	84,980
Other Hay	1992	--	780	1.60	1,248	$60.50	$75,504	67,763
	1993	--	780	1.70	1,326	59.00	78,234	66,494
	1994	--	*650	1.50	975	62.50	60,938	68,724
	1995	--	800	**1.70	1,360	57.50	78,200	69,806
All Hay 3/	1992	--	2,080	2.04	4,238	$69.50	$289,289	146,903
	1993	--	2,230	2.16	4,806	68.00	320,094	146,799
	1994	--	2,200	2.06	4,540	71.00	315,836	150,060
	1995	--	2,400	**2.23	**5,360	66.50	**350,200	154,786
Sweet Cherries 4/	1992	--	--	--	340	$988.00	$336	191,650
	1993	--	--	--	105	1,590.00	167	160,575
	1994	--	--	--	640	1,200.00	770	192,910
	1995	--	--	--	540	1,340.00	721	152,850
		Thousands		Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes 5/	1992	8.6	8.5	290.0	2,465	$8.40	$20,706	425,367
	1993	9.1	9.0	300.0	2,700	8.95	24,165	428,693
	1994	10.0	10.0	**320.0	**3,200	6.90	22,080	467,924
	1995	9.8	9.8	300.0	2,940	**10.80	**31,752	442,309
Dry Beans	1992	10.2	9.5	19.1	181	$19.10	$3,457	22,615
	1993	12.0	11.0	14.1	155	27.30	4,232	21,913
	1994	10.2	10.0	**22.0	220	16.90	3,718	29,028
	1995	11.0	10.8	19.0	205	16.10	3,301	31,032

1/ 1994 estimates are revised. 2/ Planted acreage of corn for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons 5/ U.S. totals are for all potatoes *Record low **Record high

MONTANA LIVESTOCK

	1/1/1995	1/1/1996	'96/'95
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,700,000	2,750,000	102
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,580,000	1,590,000	101
Beef Cows	1,559,000	1,570,000	101
Milk Cows	21,000	20,000	95
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	597,000	602,000	101
For beef cow replacement	360,000	330,000	92
For milk cow replacement	7,000	7,000	100
Other heifers	230,000	265,000	115
Steers 500 pounds and over	270,000	330,000	122
Bulls 500 pounds and over	98,000	93,000	95
Calves less than 500 pounds	155,000	135,000	87
Cattle on Feed	100,000	105,000	105
All cattle value (Million $)	1,823	1,540	84
Value per head (Dollars)	675.00	560.00	83
	1994	1995	'95/'94
Calves born (Head)	1,500,000	1,540,000	103
Number of cattle farms	13,000	12,700	98
Operations with beef cattle	11,100	11,500	104
Operations with milk cows	1,000	900	90
	12/1/94	12/1/95	'95/'94
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	210,000	180,000	86
Kept for Breeding	22,000	19,000	86
Market	188,000	161,000	86
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	11.8	13.3	113
Value per head (Dollars)	56.00	74.00	132
Sows Farrowing:	1994	1995	'95/'94
Dec 1/-May	23,000	24,000	104
Jun-Nov	25,000	20,000	80
Pig Crop:			
Dec. 1/-May	194,000	202,000	104
Jun-Nov	209,000	170,000	81
Pigs Per Litter:			
Dec. 1/-May	8.4	8.4	100
Jun-Nov	8.4	8.5	101
Operations With Hogs	700	900	129
	1/1/95	1/1/96	'96/'95
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	490,000	465,000	95
Market Sheep and Lambs 2/	40,000	35,000	88
Sheep	1,000	2,000	200
Lambs	39,000	33,000	85
Breeding Sheep	450,000	430,000	96
One year old & older			
Ewes	367,000	347,000	95
Rams 2/	12,000	11,000	92
Replacements Lambs	71,000	72,000	101
All sheep value (Million $)	33.3	39.1	117
Value per head (Dollars)	68.00	84.00	124
	1994	1995	'95/'94
Lamb crop (Head)	465,000	410,000	88
Number of sheep farms	2,300	2,200	96

1/ Previous year. 2/ Beginning January 1995 sheep and lambs on feed and wethers and rams were discontinued and replaced with market sheep and lambs and rams, respectively.

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ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA				
		1992	1993	1994	1995	95/94
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,099.0	1,053.0	998.9	1,100.0	110
Average Price						
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	66.50	75.60	71.60	59.80	84
Calves	Dols./Cwt	90.30	97.00	83.30	69.50	83
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	760.8	818.2	728.6	667.8	92
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	105.0	91.5	88.5	91.7	104
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	37.60	44.10	37.60	39.10	104
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	39.7	40.5	33.3	36.0	108
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	61.6	46.0	45.0	39.3	87
Average Price						
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	23.60	26.80	29.20	26.80	92
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	55.50	65.20	67.10	81.40	121
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	25.0	25.1	24.2	25.6	106

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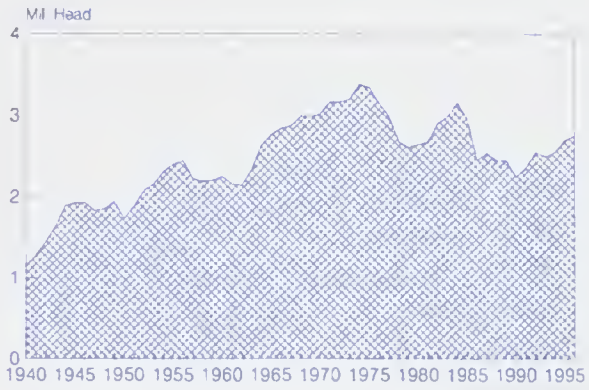

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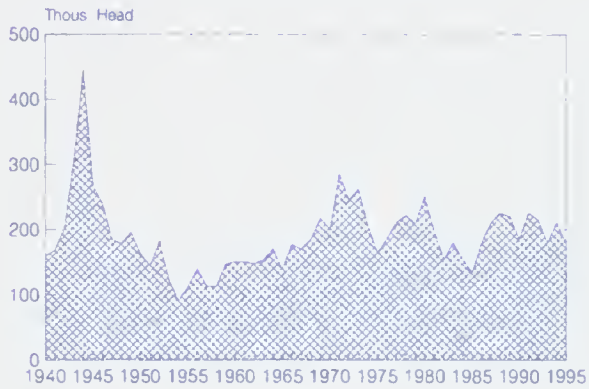

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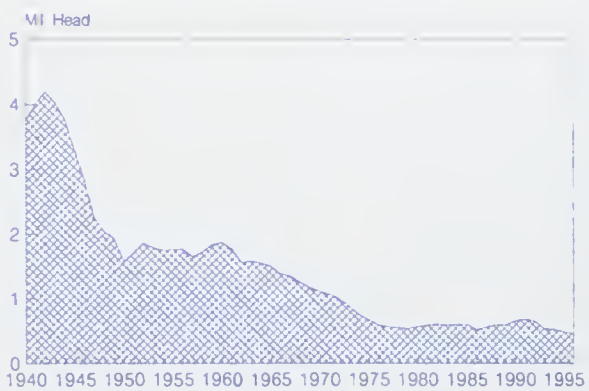

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Barley	2.83	2.03	2.30	2.34	2.39	2.06	2.22	3.10
All Hay Baled (ton)	62.50	84.50	64.00	50.50	69.50	68.00	71.00	66.50
Hogs	37.20	38.50	50.00	44.40	37.60	44.10	37.60	39.10
Beef Cattle	58.00	47.60	70.60	69.80	66.50	75.60	71.60	59.80
Steers & Heifers	68.30	58.40	83.30	84.90	80.00	86.00	78.90	66.70
Calves	76.80	62.20	95.30	93.70	90.30	97.00	83.30	69.50
Beef Cows	44.80	35.70	51.00	50.10	47.90	49.30	43.10	37.90
Lambs	61.70	66.80	48.30	46.80	55.50	65.20	67.10	81.40
Sheep	17.70	17.60	17.60	18.50	23.60	26.80	29.20	26.80
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ITEM	UNIT		PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches	59,700,000	acres	1995	2	6.1
Number of farms and ranches	22,000	farms/ranches	1995	31	1.1
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:					
Total	1,857,217,000	dollars	1994	33	1.0
Crops	990,433,000	dollars	1994	30	1.0
Livestock	866,784,000	dollars	1994	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY AND PRODUCTION					
All Cattle & Calves	2,750,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	12	2.6
All Cows	1,590,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	9	3.6
Beef Cows	1,570,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	6	4.4
Milk Cows	20,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	44	0.2
Cattle on Feed	105,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	19	0.8
Hogs and Pigs	180,000	head	Dec. 1, 1995	27	0.3
Sheep and Lambs	465,000	head	Jan. 1, 1996	6	5.5
Wool Production	4,413,000	pounds	1995	4	7.0
All Chickens	540,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1995	41	0.1
Egg Production	104,000,000	eggs	1995	42	0.1
Honey Production	8,480,000	pounds	1995	8	4.0
CROPS (Production)					
All Wheat	195,750,000	bushels	1995	3	9.0
Winter Wheat	54,800,000	bushels	1995	12	3.5
Durum Wheat	7,950,000	bushels	1995	3	7.8
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	133,000,000	bushels	1995	2	24.8
Barley	62,400,000	bushels	1995	2	17.4
Oats	4,720,000	bushels	1995	12	2.9
All Hay	5,360,000	tons	1995	11	3.5
Alfalfa Hay	4,000,000	tons	1995	9	4.7
Dry Beans	205,000	cwt	1995	15	0.7
Potatoes--fall	2,940,000	cwt	1995	14	0.7
Sugar Beets	1,193,000	tons	1995	7	4.3
Corn					
Grain	1,920,000	bushels	1995	41	1/
Silage	760,000	tons	1995	28	1.0

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MONTANA FACTS AND FIGURES

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Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

LAND AND LAND UTILIZATION 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0	Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,642,536	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.1	Percent

1/ 1992 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

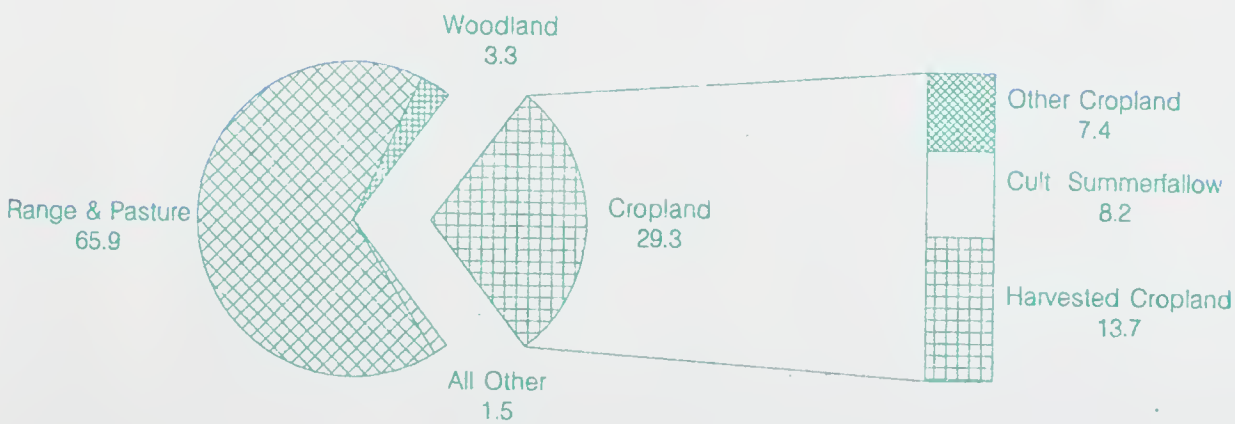
FARM COUNTS AND MEASUREMENTS, 1995

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	22,000	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$710,899
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,714 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$289
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$19.9 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$116,582
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$904,870		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1996.

LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



Source: 1992 Census of Agriculture.

MONTANA ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY, 1993-96 1/

Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg Price	Value of Production	US Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1993	2,650	2,450	**42.0	102,900	$3.26	$335,454	1,760,143
	1994	1,950	1,850	35.0	64,750	3.45	223,388	1,661,943
	1995	1,500	1,370	40.0	54,800	**4.62	253,176	1,544,653
	1996	2,150	1,980	32.0	63,360	3.80	240,768	1,478,048
Durum Wheat	1993	115	114	31.0	3,534	$4.83	$17,069	70,476
	1994	180	178	30.0	5,340	4.83	25,792	96,747
	1995	270	265	30.0	7,950	5.09	40,466	102,280
	1996	280	270	25.0	6,750	4.20	28,350	115,840
Other Spring Wheat	1993	2,800	2,700	**37.0	99,900	$3.63	$362,637	565,821
	1994	3,450	3,350	30.0	100,500	3.51	352,755	562,291
	1995	3,950	3,800	35.0	**133,000	**4.59	**610,470	535,658
	1996	**4,200	**4,100	26.0	106,600	4.15	442,390	687,875
All Wheat	1993	5,565	5,264	**39.2	**206,334	$3.50	$715,160	2,396,440
	1994	5,580	5,378	31.7	170,590	3.54	601,935	2,320,981
	1995	5,720	5,435	36.0	195,750	**4.63	**904,112	2,182,591
	1996	**6,630	**6,350	27.8	176,710	4.00	711,508	2,281,763
Barley	1993	1,300	1,100	**58.0	63,800	$2.06	$131,428	398,041
	1994	1,300	1,200	44.0	52,800	2.22	117,216	374,862
	1995	1,300	1,200	52.0	62,400	3.00	187,200	359,562
	1996	1,300	1,200	43.0	51,600	**3.00	154,800	396,851
Oats	1993	140	85	**65.0	5,525	$1.41	$7,790	206,770
	1994	140	75	48.0	3,600	1.30	4,680	229,008
	1995	145	80	59.0	4,720	1.75	8,260	162,027
	1996	*100	*50	40.0	2,000	1.70	3,400	155,225
Corn for Grain 2/	1993	65	8	105.0	840	$2.90	$2,436	6,336,470
	1994	60	20	135.0	2,700	2.65	7,155	10,102,735
	1995	*55	16	120.0	1,920	3.00	5,760	7,373,876
	1996	*55	15	**137.0	2,055	2.60	5,343	9,293,435
		Thousands		Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1993	--	55	18.0	990	--	--	81,289
	1994	--	39	**21.0	819	--	--	88,588
	1995	--	38	20.0	760	--	--	77,867
	1996	--	39	**21.0	819	--	--	83,094
Sugar Beets	1993	54.4	54.1	21.6	1,169	$43.60	$50,968	26,249
	1994	54.3	54.0	**24.2	1,307	41.90	54,763	31,853
	1995	55.7	55.5	21.5	1,193	39.90	47,601	28,065
	1996	57.7	57.5	22.6	1,300	--	--	26,570
Alfalfa Hay	1993	--	1,450	2.40	3,480	$69.50	$241,860	80,305
	1994	--	1,550	2.30	3,565	71.50	254,898	81,336
	1995	--	1,600	2.50	**4,000	67.50	270,000	84,515
	1996	--	**1,700	2.10	3,570	70.00	249,900	79,377
Other Hay	1993	--	780	**1.70	1,326	$59.00	$78,234	66,494
	1994	--	*650	1.50	975	62.50	60,938	68,724
	1995	--	800	**1.70	1,360	56.50	76,840	69,651
	1996	--	900	1.50	1,350	57.00	76,950	70,080
All Hay 3/	1993	--	2,230	2.16	4,806	$68.00	$320,094	146,799
	1994	--	2,200	2.06	4,540	71.00	315,836	150,060
	1995	--	2,400	**2.23	**5,360	66.00	**346,840	154,166
	1996	--	**2,600	1.89	4,920	69.00	326,850	149,457
Sweet Cherries 4/	1993	--	--	--	105	$1,590.00	$167	160,575
	1994	--	--	--	640	1,200.00	770	192,910
	1995	--	--	--	760	1,210.00	916	153,070
	1996	--	--	--	630	1,420.00	893	151,880
		Thousands		Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes	1993	9.1	9.0	300.0	2,700	$8.95	$24,165	391,565
	1994	10.0	10.0	**320.0	3,200	6.90	22,080	424,655
	1995	9.8	9.8	300.0	2,940	9.35	27,489	403,009
	1996	10.4	10.2	315.0	**3,213	6.45	20,724	452,039
Dry Beans	1993	12.0	11.0	14.1	155	$27.30	$4,232	21,913
	1994	10.2	10.0	22.0	220	16.90	3,718	29,028
	1995	11.0	10.8	19.0	205	16.10	3,301	30,812
	1996	10.5	10.3	**22.8	235	24.50	5,758	27,354

1/ All estimates for 1996 are preliminary, and season average price and value of production are not available. 2/ Planted for all purposes
3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons *Record low **Record high

MONTANA LIVESTOCK

	1/1/1996	1/1/1997	'97/'96 Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,750,000	2,700,000	98
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,590,000	1,590,000	100
Beef Cows	1,570,000	1,570,000	100
Milk Cows	20,000	20,000	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	602,000	562,000	93
For beef cow replacement	330,000	350	106
For milk cow replacement	7,000	7,000	100
Other heifers	265,000	205,000	77
Steers 500 pounds and over	330,000	300,000	91
Bulls 500 pounds and over	93,000	98,000	105
Calves less than 500 pounds	135,000	150,000	111
Cattle on Feed	105,000	85,000	81
All cattle value (Million $)	1,540	1,620.0	105
Value per head (Dollars)	560.00	600.00	107
Calf Crop	1995	1996	'96/'95
Calves born (Head)	1,540,000	1,540,000	100
Number of cattle farms	12,700	13,200	104
Operations with beef cattle	11,500	11,700	102
Operations with milk cows	900	800	89
	12/1/95	12/1/96	'96/'95
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	180,000	150,000	83
Kept for Breeding	19,000	16,000	84
Market	161,000	134,000	83
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	13.3	14.4	108
Value per head (Dollars)	74.00	96.00	130
Sows Farrowing:	1995	1996	'96/'95
Dec. 1/-Nov.	41,000	37,000	90
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	346,000	323,000	93
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	8.45	8.75	104
Operations With Hogs	900	750	83
	1/1/96	1/1/97	'97/'96
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	465,000	432,000	93
Market Sheep and Lambs	35,000	32,000	91
Sheep	2,000	2,000	100
Lambs	33,000	30,000	91
Breeding Sheep	430,000	400,000	93
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	347,000	330,000	95
Rams	11,000	11,000	100
Replacements Lambs	72,000	59,000	82
All sheep value (Million $)	39.1	41.9	107
Value per head (Dollars)	84.00	97.00	115
Lamb Crop	1995	1996	'96/'95
Lamb crop (Head)	410,000	390,000	95
Number of sheep farms	2,200	2,200	100

1/ Previous year.

All Cattle and Calves

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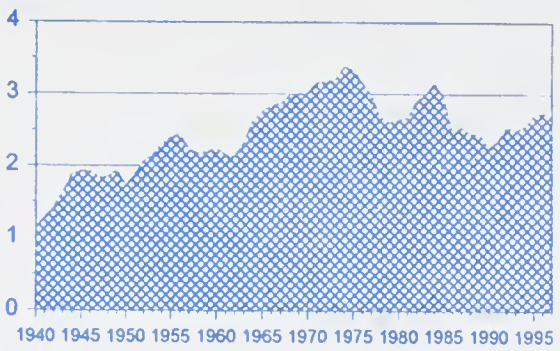

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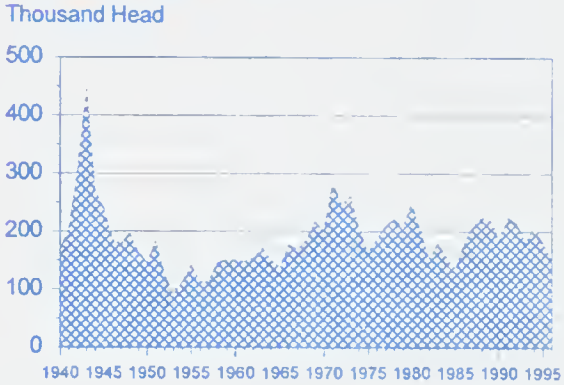

MEAT ANIMALS: MARKETINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS, 1993-96

ITEM	UNIT	MONTANA 1993	1994	1995	1996	96/95 Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,053.0	998.9	1,100.0	1,204.8	110
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	75.60	71.60	59.80	53.80	90
Calves	Dols./Cwt	97.00	83.30	69.50	62.20	89
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	818.2	728.6	667.8	587.4	88
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	91.5	88.5	85.7	74.2	87
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	44.10	37.60	39.10	49.7	127
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	40.5	33.3	33.6	37.1	110
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	46.0	45.0	39.4	39.0	99
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	26.80	29.20	26.80	31.20	116
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	65.20	67.10	81.40	91.10	112
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	25.1	24.2	25.7	28.8	112

Sheep and Lambs

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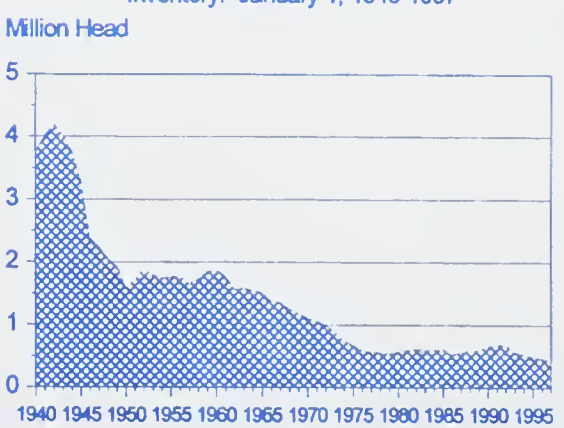

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Calves	76.80	62.20	95.30	90.30	97.00	83.30	69.50	62.20
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Milk Cows	20,000	head	Jan. 1, 1997	43	30.2
Cattle on Feed	85,000	head	Jan. 1, 1997	21	0.6
Hogs and Pigs	150,000	head	Dec. 1, 1996	28	0.3
Sheep and Lambs	432,000	head	Jan. 1, 1997	6	5.4
All Chickens	470,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1996	42	0.1
Calf Crop	1,540,000	head	1996	7	3.9
Pig Crop	323,000	head	1996	26	0.3
Lamb Crop	390,000	head	1996	4	7.4
Wool Production	4,150,000	pounds	1996	5	7.0
Egg Production	108,000,000	eggs	1996	42	0.1
Honey Production	7,020,000	pounds	1996	7	3.5
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Spring Wheat Other than Durum	106,600,000	bushels	1996	2	15.5
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Oats	2,000,000	bushels	1996	18	1.3
All Hay	4,920,000	tons	1996	12	3.3
Alfalfa Hay	3,570,000	tons	1996	8	4.5
Dry Beans	235,000	cwt	1996	13	0.9
Potatoes--fall	3,213,000	cwt	1996	17	0.7
Sugar Beets	1,300,000	tons	1996	6	4.9
Corn for Grain	2,055,000	bushels	1996	41	1/
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Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0	Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,642,536	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.1	Percent

1/ 1992 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

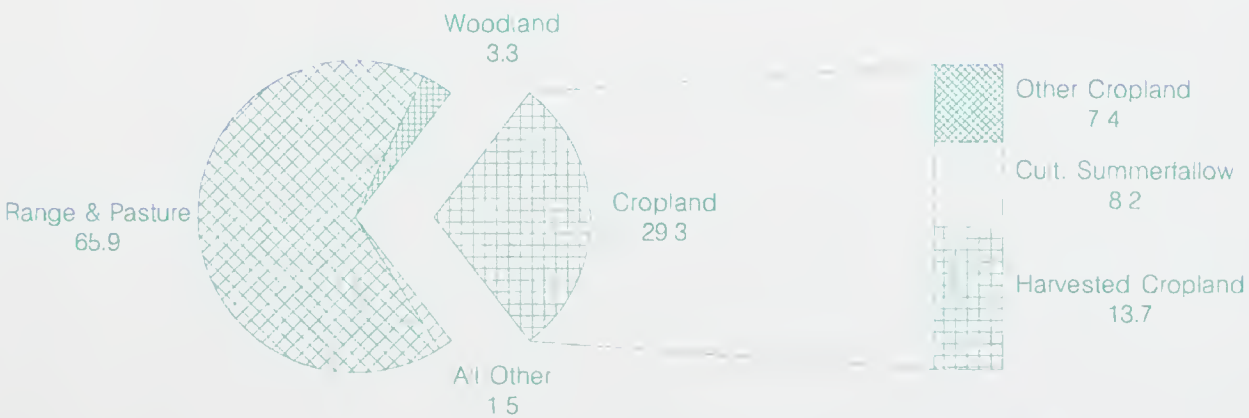
Farm Counts and Measurements, 1996

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	23,000	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$719,264
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,596 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$305
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$21.1 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$113,489
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$915,477		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1997.

LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



Source: 1992 Census of Agriculture.

Montana Annual Crop Summary, 1994-97 1/

Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg Price	Value of Production	US Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1994	1,950	1,850	35.0	64,750	$3.45	$223,388	1,661,943
	1995	1,500	1,370	40.0	54,800	**4.62	253,176	1,544,653
	1996	2,150	1,980	32.0	63,360	4.24	268,646	1,477,058
	1997	1,600	1,450	39.0	56,550	3.45	195,098	1,882,609
Durum Wheat	1994	180	178	30.0	5,340	$4.83	$25,792	96,747
	1995	270	265	30.0	7,950	5.09	40,466	102,280
	1996	290	280	25.0	7,000	4.65	32,550	116,090
	1997	290	280	26.0	7,280	5.05	36,764	86,193
Other Spring Wheat	1994	3,450	3,350	30.0	100,500	$3.51	$352,755	562,291
	1995	3,950	3,800	35.0	**133,000	**4.59	**610,470	535,658
	1996	4,200	4,100	26.0	106,600	4.22	449,852	691,985
	1997	**4,350	**4,200	29.0	121,800	3.70	450,660	557,750
All Wheat	1994	5,580	5,378	31.7	170,590	$3.54	$601,935	2,320,981
	1995	5,720	5,435	36.0	195,750	**4.63	**904,112	2,182,591
	1996	**6,640	**6,360	27.8	176,960	4.24	751,048	2,285,133
	1997	6,240	5,930	31.3	185,630	3.80	682,522	2,526,552
Barley	1994	1,300	1,200	44.0	52,800	$2.22	$117,216	374,862
	1995	1,300	1,200	52.0	62,400	3.00	187,200	359,562
	1996	1,300	1,200	43.0	51,600	**3.07	158,412	395,751
	1997	1,300	1,200	53.0	63,600	2.85	181,260	374,478
Oats	1994	140	75	48.0	3,600	$1.30	$4,680	229,008
	1995	145	80	59.0	4,720	1.75	8,260	162,027
	1996	*100	50	40.0	2,000	1.91	3,820	155,273
	1997	140	70	55.0	3,850	1.25	4,813	176,104
Corn for Grain 2/	1994	60	20	135.0	2,700	$2.65	$7,155	10,102,735
	1995	55	16	120.0	1,920	3.00	5,760	7,373,876
	1996	*55	15	**137.0	2,055	2.60	5,343	9,293,435
	1997	60	14	135.0	1,890	2.60	4,914	9,365,574
		Thousands		Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1994	--	39	21.0	819	--	--	88,588
	1995	--	38	20.0	760	--	--	77,867
	1996	--	39	21.0	819	--	--	83,594
	1997	--	45	**21.0	945	--	--	91,903
Sugar Beets	1994	54.3	54.0	**24.2	1,307	$41.90	$54,763	31,853
	1995	55.7	55.5	21.5	1,193	39.90	47,601	28,065
	1996	57.7	57.5	22.6	1,300	48.10	62,530	26,680
	1997	59.9	58.5	21.0	1,224	--	--	29,874
Altalfa Hay	1994	--	1,550	2.30	3,565	$71.50	$254,898	81,336
	1995	--	1,600	2.50	**4,000	67.50	270,000	84,515
	1996	--	**1,700	2.10	3,570	81.00	289,170	79,517
	1997	--	1,650	2.40	3,960	82.00	324,720	79,242
Other Hay	1994	--	*650	1.50	975	$62.50	$60,938	68,724
	1995	--	800	**1.70	1,360	56.50	76,840	69,651
	1996	--	900	1.50	1,350	67.00	90,450	69,940
	1997	--	950	1.60	1,520	70.50	107,160	72,878
All Hay 3/	1994	--	2,200	2.06	4,540	$71.00	$315,836	150,060
	1995	--	2,400	**2.23	5,360	66.00	346,840	154,166
	1996	--	2,600	1.89	4,920	80.00	379,620	149,457
	1997	--	**2,600	2.11	**5,480	81.00	**431,880	152,120
Sweet Cherries 4/	1994	--	--	--	640	$1,200.00	$770	192,910
	1995	--	--	--	760	1,210.00	916	153,070
	1996	--	--	--	630	1,420.00	893	151,880
	1997	--	--	--	970	965.00	936	220,370
		Thousands		Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes	1994	10.0	10.0	320.0	3,200	$6.90	$22,080	424,655
	1995	9.8	9.8	300.0	2,940	9.35	27,489	403,009
	1996	10.4	10.2	315.0	3,213	6.60	21,206	453,436
	1997	10.4	10.4	**320.0	**3,328	8.85	**29,453	417,088
Dry Beans	1994	10.2	10.0	22.0	220	$16.90	$3,718	29,028
	1995	11.0	10.8	19.0	205	16.10	3,301	30,812
	1996	10.5	10.3	**22.8	235	24.50	5,758	27,960
	1997	12.2	11.7	22.0	257	18.50	4,755	29,156

1/ All estimates for 1997 are preliminary. 2/ Planted for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons
*Record low **Record high

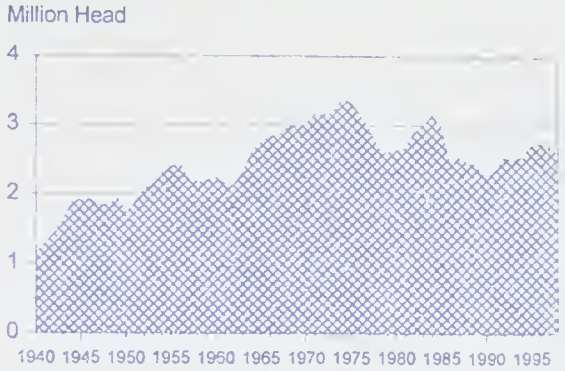
Montana Livestock

	1/1/1997	1/1/1998	'98/'97
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,700,000	2,600,000	96
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,590,000	1,560,000	98
Beef Cows	1,570,000	1,542,000	98
Milk Cows	20,000	18,000	90
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	562,000	568,000	101
For beef cow replacement	350	350,000	100
For milk cow replacement	7,000	8,000	114
Other heifers	205,000	210,000	102
Steers 500 pounds and over	300,000	260,000	87
Bulls 500 pounds and over	98,000	97,000	99
Calves less than 500 pounds	150,000	115,000	77
Cattle on Feed	85,000	80,000	94
All cattle value (Million $)	1,620.0	1,924.0	119
Value per head (Dollars)	600.00	740.00	123
Calf Crop	1996	1997	'97/'96
Calves born (Head)	1,540,000	1,510,000	98
Operations with cattle & calves	13,200	12,800	97
Operations with beef cows	11,700	11,800	101
Operations with milk cows	800	750	94
	12/1/96	12/1/97	'97/'96
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	150,000	175,000	117
Kept for Breeding	16,000	25,000	156
Market	134,000	150,000	112
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	14.4	14.9	103
Value per head (Dollars)	96.00	85.00	89
Sows Farrowing:	1996	1997	'97/'96
Dec. 1/-Nov.	37,000	36,000	97
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov	323,000	315,000	98
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	8.75	8.75	100
Operations With Hogs	750	650	87
	1/1/97	1/1/98	'98/'97
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	432,000	410,000	95
Market Sheep and Lambs	32,000	25,000	78
Sheep	2,000	1,000	50
Lambs	30,000	24,000	80
Breeding Sheep	400,000	385,000	96
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	330,000	315,000	95
Rams	11,000	10,000	91
Replacements Lambs	59,000	60,000	102
All sheep value (Million $)	41.9	41.0	98
Value per head (Dollars)	97.00	100.0	103
Lamb Crop	1996	1997	'97/'96
Lamb crop (Head)	390,000	380,000	97
Operations with sheep & lambs	2,200	2,200	100

1/ Previous year

All Cattle and Calves

Inventory: January 1, 1940-1998



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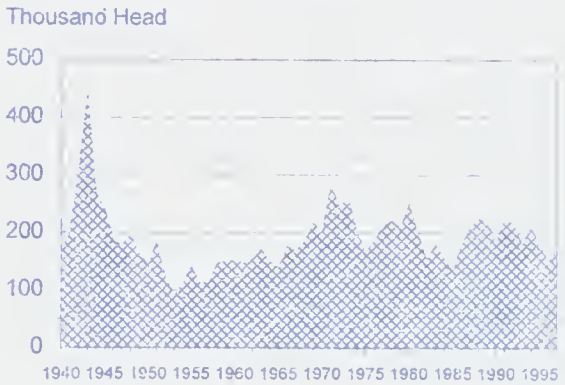

Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	1994	1995	1996	1997	97/95
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	998.9	1,100.0	1,204.8	1,288.4	107
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	71.60	59.80	53.80	64.50	120
Calves	Dols./Cwt	83.30	69.50	62.20	84.70	136
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	728.6	667.8	587.4	856.7	131
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	88.5	85.7	74.2	62.0	84
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	37.60	39.10	49.70	55.30	111
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	33.3	33.6	37.1	34.3	92
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	45.0	39.4	39.0	37.2	95
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	29.20	26.80	31.20	37.48	120
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	67.10	81.40	91.10	97.80	107
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	24.2	25.7	28.8	30.2	105

Sheep and Lambs

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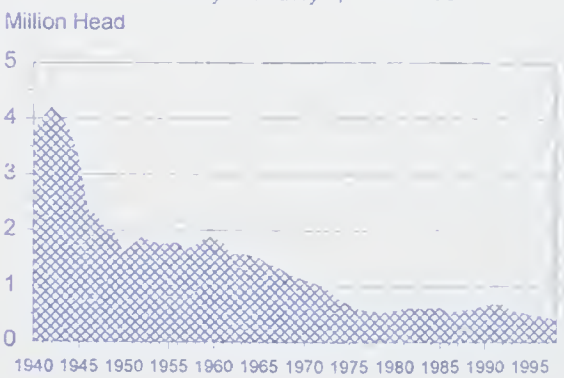

Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

COMMODITY	1980	1985	1990	1993	1994	1995	1996 2/	1997 3/
				----------Dollars----------				
Winter Wheat	3.90	3.28	2.53	3.26	3.45	4.62	4.24	3.45
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum	4.15	3.64	2.80	3.63	3.51	4.59	4.22	3.70
Durum Wheat	5.75	3.18	2.72	4.83	4.83	5.09	4.65	5.05
All Wheat	4.14	3.47	2.65	3.50	3.54	4.63	4.24	3.80
Oats	1.96	1.50	1.25	1.41	1.30	1.75	1.91	1.25
Barley	2.83	2.03	2.30	2.06	2.22	3.00	3.07	2.85
All Hay Baled (ton)	62.50	84.50	64.00	68.00	71.00	66.00	80.00	81.00
Hogs	37.20	38.50	50.00	44.10	37.60	39.10	49.70	55.30
Beef Cattle	58.00	47.60	70.60	75.60	71.60	59 80	53.80	64.50
Steers & Heifers	68.30	58.40	83.30	86.00	78.90	66.70	59.00	77.00
Calves	76.80	62.20	95.30	97.00	83.30	69.50	62.20	84.70
Beef Cows	44.80	35.70	51.00	49.30	43.10	37.90	33.20	36.60
Lambs	61.70	66.80	48.30	65.20	67.10	81.40	91.10	97.80
Sheep	17.70	17.60	17.60	26.80	29.20	26.80	31.20	37.40
Chickens	.08	.07	.045	.04	.02	.03	.02	.02
Eggs	.58	.51	.68	.63	.55	.57	.66	.57
Wool	1.00	.67	.91	.54	.86	1.23	.94	1.01
All Milk	12.80	13.10	13.70	13.30	13.70	13.30	15.20	--

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales.
2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

Item	Unit		Period or Date	Rank	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches	59,600,000	acres	1997	2	6.2
Number of farms and ranches	24,000	farms/ranches	1997	31	1.2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:					
Total	2,027	million dollars	1996	33	1.0
Crops	1,230	million dollars	1996	29	1.1
Livestock	797	million dollars	1996	32	0.9
Livestock Inventory					
All Cattle & Calves	2,600,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	12	2.6
All Cows	1,360,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	8	3.6
Beef Cows	1,542,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	6	4.6
Milk Cows	18,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	44	0.2
Cattle on Feed	80,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	21	0.6
Hogs and Pigs	175,000	head	Dec. 1, 1997	27	0.3
Sheep and Lambs	410,000	head	Jan. 1, 1998	5	5.4
All Chickens	390,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1997	42	0.1
Livestock Production					
Calf Crop	1,510,000	head	1997	7	3.9
Lamb Crop	380,000	head	1997	3	7.2
Pig Crop	315,000	head	1997	26	0.3
Wool Production	3,813,000	pounds	1997	5	7.1
Egg Production	88,000,000	eggs	1997	42	0.1
Honey Production	12,840,000	pounds	1997	5	6.7
Crop Production					
All Wheat	185,630,000	bushels	1997	3	7.3
Winter Wheat	56,550,000	bushels	1997	11	3.0
Durum Wheat	7,280,000	bushels	1997	4	8.4
Spring Wheat Other than Durum	121,800,000	bushels	1997	2	21.8
Barley	63,600,000	bushels	1997	2	17.0
Oats	3,850,000	bushels	1997	14	2.2
All Hay	5,480,000	tons	1997	10	3.6
Alfalfa Hay	3,960,000	tons	1997	8	5.0
Dry Beans	257,000	cwt	1997	12	0.9
Potatoes--fall	3,328,000	cwt	1997	13	0.8
Sugar Beets	1,012,000	tons	1997	9	3.4
Corn for Grain	1,809,000	bushels	1997	41	1/
Corn for Silage	945,000	tons	1997	27	1.0

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 1990 population, at 799,065, was up 1.6 percent from 1980. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.5 in 1990--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 59.6 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

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Farm Counts and Measurements, 1997

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Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,141 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$294
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$22.3 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$99,714
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$824,976		

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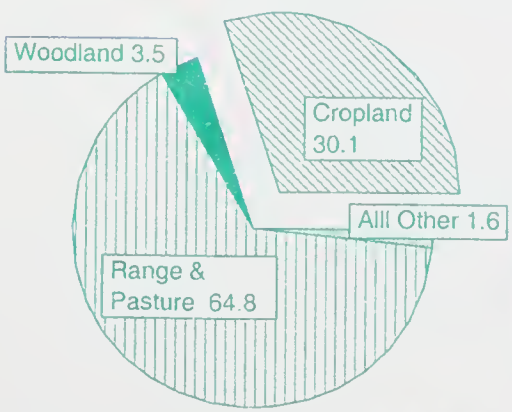

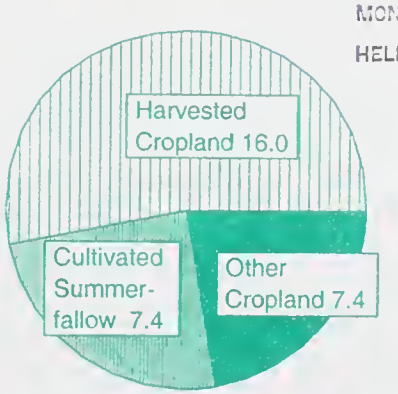

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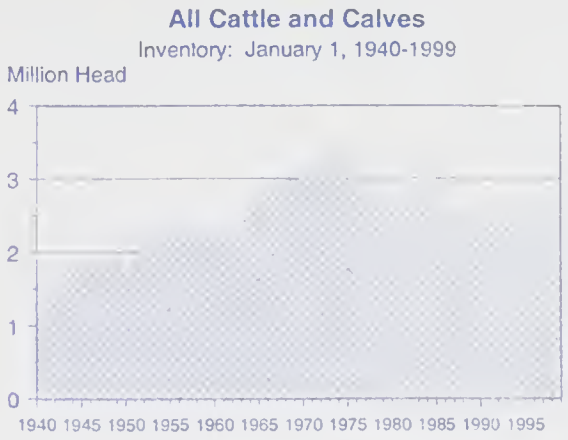
Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg Price	Value of Production	US Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		Thousands		Bushels	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Winter Wheat	1995	1,500	1,370	40.0	54,800	$**4.62	$253,176	1,545,303
	1996	2,150	1,980	31.0	61,380	4.24	260,251	1,469,618
	1997	1,600	1,450	38.0	55,100	3.40	187,340	1,845,528
	1998	1,400	1,250	39.0	48,750	2.85	138,938	1,880,605
Durum Wheat	1995	270	265	30.0	7,950	$5.09	$40,466	102,280
	1996	290	280	25.0	7,000	4.65	32,550	116,090
	1997	300	290	26.0	7,540	5.18	39,057	87,783
	1998	450	430	28.0	12,040	4.00	48,160	141,069
Other Spring Wheat	1995	3,950	3,800	35.0	**133,000	$**4.59	$**610,470	535,125
	1996	4,200	4,100	26.0	106,600	4.22	449,852	691,680
	1997	**4,250	**4,100	29.0	118,900	3.58	425,662	548,155
	1998	3,800	3,600	30.0	108,000	3.40	367,200	528,709
All Wheat	1995	5,720	5,435	36.0	195,750	$**4.63	$**904,112	2,182,708
	1996	**6,640	**6,360	27.5	174,980	4.24	742,653	2,277,388
	1997	6,150	5,840	31.1	181,540	3.62	652,059	2,481,466
	1998	5,650	5,280	32.0	168,790	3.35	554,298	2,550,383
Barley	1995	1,300	1,200	52.0	62,400	$3.00	$187,200	359,376
	1996	1,250	1,150	43.0	49,450	**3.07	151,812	392,433
	1997	1,250	1,150	53.0	60,950	2.83	172,489	359,878
	1998	1,350	1,200	48.0	57,600	2.25	129,600	352,445
Oats	1995	145	80	59.0	4,720	$1.75	$8,260	161,094
	1996	*110	50	40.0	2,000	1.91	3,820	153,245
	1997	140	70	55.0	3,850	1.33	5,121	167,246
	1998	140	60	54.0	3,240	1.25	4,050	167,122
Corn for Grain 2/	1995	55	16	120.0	1,920	$3.00	$5,760	7,400,051
	1996	*55	15	**137.0	2,055	2.60	5,343	9,232,557
	1997	60	14	135.0	1,890	2.40	4,536	9,206,832
	1998	60	18	115.0	2,070	1.50	3,105	9,761,085
		Thousands		Tons	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Corn for Silage	1995	--	38	20.0	760	--	--	78,181
	1996	--	39	21.0	819	--	--	86,581
	1997	--	45	21.0	945	--	--	97,192
	1998	--	41	**21.0	861	--	--	94,525
Sugar Beets	1995	55.7	55.5	21.5	1,193	$39.90	$47,601	28,065
	1996	57.7	57.5	22.6	1,300	48.10	62,530	26,680
	1997	59.9	58.3	21.0	1,224	40.50	49,572	29,886
	1998	64.0	62.4	22.6	1,410			32,660
All Alfalfa Hay	1995	--	1,600	2.50	**4,000	$67.50	$270,000	84,138
	1996	--	1,700	2.10	3,570	81.00	289,170	79,139
	1997	--	1,650	2.40	3,960	80.00	316,800	78,535
	1998	--	**1,700	2.20	3,740	74.50	278,630	82,010
Other Hay	1995	--	800	**1.70	1,360	$56.50	$76,840	70,101
	1996	--	900	1.50	1,350	67.00	90,450	70,640
	1997	--	950	1.60	1,520	69.00	104,880	74,001
	1998	--	800	1.60	1,280	64.00	81,920	69,328
All Hay 3/	1995	--	2,400	**2.23	5,360	$66.00	$346,840	154,239
	1996	--	2,600	1.89	4,920	80.00	379,620	149,779
	1997	--	**2,600	2.11	**5,480	79.00	**421,680	152,536
	1998	--	2,500	2.01	5,020	73.50	360,550	151,338
Sweet Cherries 4/	1995	--	--	--	760	$1,210.00	$916	152,880
	1996	--	--	--	630	1,420.00	893	151,700
	1997	--	--	--	870	954.00	830	223,490
	1998	--	--	--	1,890	1,080.00	2,040	206,610
		Thousands		Cwt.	Thousands		Thousands	Thousands
Fall Potatoes	1995	9.8	9.8	300.0	2,940	$9.35	$27,489	445,099
	1996	10.4	10.2	315.0	3,213	6.60	21,206	499,254
	1997	10.4	10.4	**320.0	**3,328	7.05	23,462	467,091
	1998	10.6	10.6	300.0	3,180	7.95	25,281	477,754
Dry Beans	1995	11.0	10.8	19.0	205	$16.10	$3,301	30,689
	1996	10.5	10.3	**22.8	235	24.50	5,758	27,912
	1997	12.2	11.7	22.0	257	19.40	4,986	29,370
	1998	12.6	12.2	21.8	266	16.40	4,362	30,828

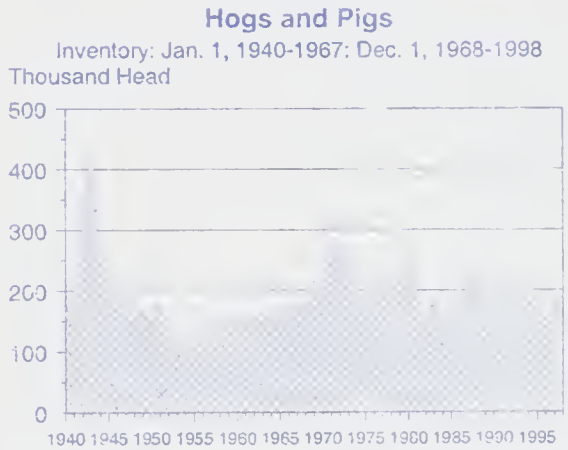
1/ All estimates for 1998 are preliminary. 2/ Planted for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons
*Record low **Record high

Montana Livestock

	1/1/1998	1/1/1999	'99/'98
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,600,000	2,600,000	100
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,560,000	1,550,000	99
Beef Cows	1,542,000	1,532,000	99
Milk Cows	18,000	18,000	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	568,000	575,000	101
For beef cow replacement	350,000	340,000	97
For milk cow replacement	8,000	10,000	125
Other heifers	210,000	225,000	107
Steers 500 pounds and over	255,000	255,000	100
Bulls 500 pounds and over	97,000	100,000	103
Calves less than 500 pounds	120,000	120,000	100
Cattle on Feed	80,000	70,000	88
All cattle value (Million $)	1,924.0	1,716.0	89
Value per head (Dollars)	740.00	660.00	89
Calf Crop	1997	1998	'98/'97
Calves born (Head)	1,510,000	1,500,000	99
Operations with cattle & calves	13,600	14,000	103
Operations with beef cows	11,800	12,700	108
Operations with milk cows	750	700	93
	12/1/97	12/1/98	'98/'97
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	180,000	190,000	106
Kept for Breeding	20,000	19,000	95
Market	160,000	171,000	107
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	14.9	8.9	58
Value per head (Dollars)	85.00	47.00	67
Sows Farrowing:	1997	1998	'98/'97
Dec. 1/-Nov.	36,000	38,500	107
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	320,000	344,000	108
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	8.89	8.94	101
Operations With Hogs	650	650	100
	1/1/98	1/1/99	'99/'98
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	415,000	380,000	92
Breeding Sheep	385,000	345,000	90
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	315,000	270,000	86
Rams	10,000	9,000	90
Replacements Lambs	60,000	66,000	110
Market Sheep and Lambs	30,000	35,000	117
Sheep	1,000	1,000	100
Lambs	29,000	34,00	117
All sheep value (Million $)	41.5	30.4	73
Value per head (Dollars)	100.0	80.00	80
Lamb Crop	1997	1998	'98/'97
Lamb crop (Head)	380,000	355,000	93
Operations with sheep & lambs	2,100	2,000	95

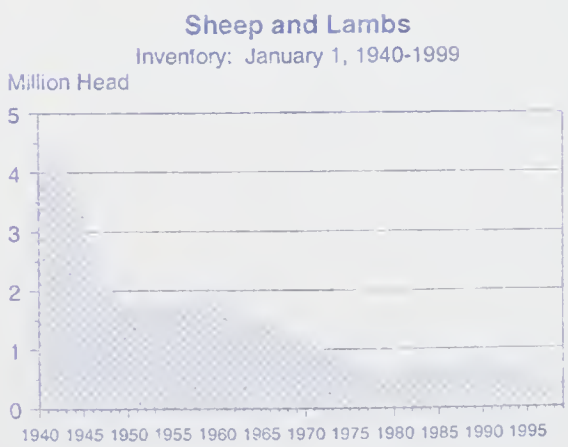
1/ Previous year.





Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	1994	1995	1996	1997	97/96
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	998.9	1,100.0	1,204.8	1,288.4	107
Cattle	Dols./Cwt	71.60	59.80	53.80	64.50	120
Calves	Dols./Cwt	83.30	69.50	62.20	84.70	136
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	728.6	667.8	587.4	856.7	131
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs	88.5	85.7	74.2	62.0	84
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	37.60	39.10	49.70	55.30	111
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	33.3	33.6	37.1	34.3	92
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	45.0	39.4	39.0	37.2	95
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	29.20	26.80	31.20	37.48	120
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	67.10	81.40	91.10	97.80	107
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	24.2	25.7	28.8	30.2	105



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1994	1995	1996	1997 2/	1998 3/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu	3.90	3.28	2.53	3.54	4.63	4.24	3.62	3.35
Winter Wheat	Bu	4.15	3.64	2.80	3.45	4.62	4.24	3.40	2.85
Spring Wheat	Bu	5.75	3.18	2.72	3.51	4.59	4.22	3.58	3.40
Durum Wheat	Bu	4.14	3.47	2.65	4.83	5.09	4.65	5.18	4.00
Barley	Bu	1.96	1.50	1.25	2.22	3.00	3.07	2.83	2.25
Oats	Bu	2.83	2.03	2.30	1.30	1.75	1.91	1.33	1.25
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	62.50	84.50	64.00	71.50	67.50	81.00	80.00	74.50
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	37.20	38.50	50.00	71.60	59.80	53.80	64.50	62.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	58.00	47.60	70.60	78.90	66.70	59.00	77.00	73.10
Beef Cows	Cwt	68.30	58.40	83.30	43.10	37.90	33.20	36.60	34.40
Calves	Cwt	76.80	62.20	95.30	83.30	69.50	62.20	84.70	78.60
Sheep	Cwt.	44.80	35.70	51.00	29.20	26.80	31.20	37.40	29.20
Lambs	Cwt	61.70	66.80	48.30	67.10	81.40	91.10	97.80	73.60
Hogs, All	Cwt	17.70	17.60	17.60	37.60	39.10	49.70	55.30	40.10
Chickens	Lb.	.08	.07	.045	.020	.030	.020	.020	--
Eggs	Doz.	.58	.51	.68	.55	.57	.66	.57	-
Milk, All	Cwt	1.00	.67	.91	13.70	13.30	15.20	13.20	-
Wool	Lb.	12.80	13.10	13.70	.86	1.23	.94	1.01	--

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM		UNIT		PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches		57,500,000	acres	1998	2	6.0
Number of farms and ranches		27,500	farms, ranches	1998	31	1.3
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments.	Total	2,063	million dollars	1997	33	1.0
	Crops	1,072	million dollars	1997	30	1.0
	Livestock	991	million dollars	1997	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY						
All Cattle & Calves		2,600,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	11	2.6
All Cows		1,550,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	9	3.6
Beef Cows		1,532,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	6	4.6
Milk Cows		18,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	43	0.2
Cattle on Feed		70,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	23	0.5
All Sheep and Lambs		380,000	head	Jan. 1, 1999	7	5.3
Hogs and Pigs		190,000	head	Dec. 1, 1998	27	0.3
All Chickens		380,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1998	42	0.1
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION						
Calf Crop		1,500,000	head	1998	7	3.9
Lamb Crop		355,000	head	1998	3	7.1
Pig Crop		344,000	head	1998	27	0.3
Wool Production		3,423,000	pounds	1998	4	7.0
Egg Production		84,000,000	eggs	1998	42	0.1
Honey Production		14,030,000	pounds	1998	5	6.4
CROP PRODUCTION						
All Wheat		168,790,000	bushels	1998	4	6.6
Winter Wheat		48,750,000	bushels	1998	12	2.6
Durum Wheat		12,040,000	bushels	1998	4	8.5
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum		108,000,000	bushels	1998	2	20.4
Barley		57,600,000	bushels	1998	3	16.3
Oats		3,240,000	bushels	1998	14	1.9
All Hay		5,020,000	tons	1998	12	3.3
Alfalfa Hay		3,740,000	tons	1998	9	4.6
Dry Beans		266,000	cwt	1998	12	0.9
Potatoes--Fall		3,180,000	cwt	1998	18	0.7
Sugar Beets		1,410,000	tons	1998	6	4.3
Corn for Grain		1,890,000	bushels	1998	41	1/
Corn for Silage		861,000	tons	1998	25	0.9

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 1990 population, at 799,065, was up 1.6 percent from 1980. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 5.5 in 1990--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 59.6 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 1990 Census	799,065
People Per Square Mile	5.5
Rural Farm Population	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0	Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	58,607,778	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	63.0	Percent

1/ 1997 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

Farm Counts and Measurements, 1998

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	27,500	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$561,029
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,091 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$296
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$19.9 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$98,837
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$723,353		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 1999.

LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total

Source: 1997 Census of Agriculture

Montana Annual Crop Summary, 1996-99 1/

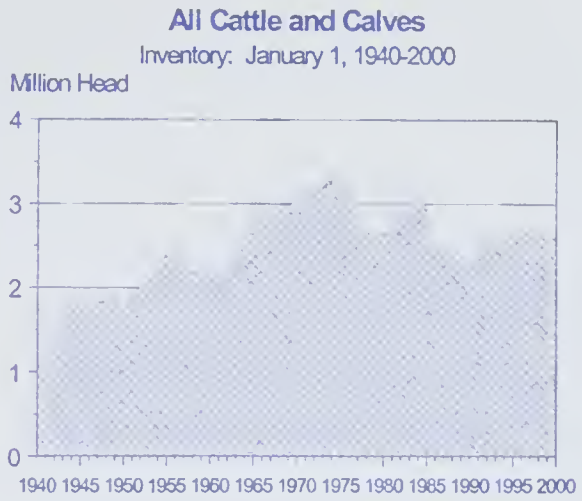
Crop	Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Market Year Avg. Price	Value of Production	U.S. Production
		Planted	Harvested					
		(000)		Bu	(000)		(000)	(000)
Winter Wheat	1996	2,150	1,980	31.0	61,380	$4.24	$260,251	1,469,618
	1997	1,600	1,450	38.0	55,100	$3.40	$187,340	1,845,528
	1998	1,400	1,250	39.0	48,750	$2.80	$136,500	1,880,733
	1999	1,050	970	38.0	36,860	$2.95	$108,737	1,699,989
Durum Wheat	1996	290	280	25.0	7,000	$4.65	$32,550	116,090
	1997	300	290	26.0	7,540	$5.18	$39,057	87,783
	1998	450	430	28.0	12,040	$3.23	$38,889	138,119
	1999	360	350	27.0	9,450	$3.50	$33,075	99,322
Other Spring Wheat	1996	4,200	4,100	26.0	106,600	$4.22	$449,852	691,680
	1997	4,250	4,100	29.0	118,900	$3.58	$425,662	548,155
	1998	3,800	3,600	30.0	108,000	$3.13	$338,040	528,469
	1999	4,150	4,000	27.0	108,000	$3.25	$351,000	503,132
All Wheat	1996	6,640	6,360	27.5	174,980	$4.24	$742,653	2,277,388
	1997	6,150	5,840	31.1	181,540	$3.62	$652,059	2,481,466
	1998	5,650	5,280	32.0	168,790	$3.03	$513,429	2,547,321
	1999	5,560	5,320	29.0	154,310	$3.20	$492,812	2,302,443
Barley	1996	1,250	1,150	43.0	49,450	$3.07	$151,812	392,433
	1997	1,250	1,150	53.0	60,950	$2.83	$172,489	359,878
	1998	1,350	1,200	48.0	57,600	$2.27	$130,752	352,125
	1999	1,300	1,150	50.0	57,500	$2.15	$123,625	281,853
Oats	1996	110	50	40.0	2,000	$1.91	$3,820	153,245
	1997	140	70	55.0	3,850	$1.33	$5,121	167,246
	1998	140	60	54.0	3,240	$1.18	$3,823	165,981
	1999	170	70	46.0	3,220	$1.05	$3,381	146,218
Corn for Grain 2/	1996	55	15	137.0	2,055	$2.60	$5,343	9,232,557
	1997	60	14	135.0	1,890	$2.40	$4,536	9,206,832
	1998	60	18	115.0	2,070	$1.90	$3,933	9,758,685
	1999	65	18	110.0	1,980	$1.65	$3,267	9,437,337
			(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	(000)
Corn for Silage	1996	--	39	21.0	819	--	--	86,581
	1997	--	45	21.0	945	--	--	97,192
	1998	--	41	21.0	861	--	--	95,479
	1999	--	45	20.0	900	--	--	96,169
Sugar Beets	1996	57.7	57.5	22.6	1,300	$48.10	$62,530	26,680
	1997	59.9	58.3	21.0	1,224	$40.50	$49,572	29,886
	1998	64.0	62.4	22.6	1,410	$36.90	$52,029	32,499
	1999	61.8	61.7	23.8	1,468			33,319
Alfalfa Hay	1996	--	1,700	2.10	3,570	$81.00	$289,170	79,139
	1997	--	1,650	2.40	3,960	$80.00	$316,800	78,535
	1998	--	1,700	2.20	3,740	$73.00	$273,020	82,310
	1999	--	1,650	2.20	3,630	$65.50	$237,765	83,924
Other Hay	1996	--	900	1.50	1,350	$67.00	$90,450	70,640
	1997	--	950	1.60	1,520	$69.00	$104,880	74,001
	1998	--	800	1.60	1,280	$62.50	$80,000	69,470
	1999	--	950	1.50	1,425	$56.00	$79,800	75,153
All Hay 3/	1996	--	2,600	1.89	4,920	$80.00	$379,620	149,779
	1997	--	2,600	2.11	5,480	$79.00	$421,680	152,536
	1998	--	2,500	2.01	5,020	$72.00	$353,020	151,780
	1999	--	2,600	1.94	5,055	$64.50	$317,565	159,077
Sweet Cherries 4/	1996	--	--	--	630	$1,420.00	$893	151,700
	1997	--	--	--	870	$954.00	$830	223,490
	1998	--	--	--	1,890	$1,080.00	$2,041	206,610
	1999	--	--	--				
			(000)	Cwt.	(000)		(000)	(000)
Fall Potatoes	1996	10.4	10.2	315	3,213	$6.60	$21,206	499,254
	1997	10.4	10.4	320	3,328	$7.05	$23,462	467,091
	1998	10.6	10.6	300	3,180	$7.95	$25,281	475,771
	1999	11.0	10.9	305	3,325	$8.60	$28,595	478,398
All Dry Beans	1996	10.5	10.3	22.8	235	$24.50	$5,758	27,912
	1997	12.2	11.7	22.0	257	$19.40	$4,986	29,370
	1998	16.6	16.0	21.9	350	$15.60	$5,460	30,418
	1999	26.5	25.5	17.3	441	$19.20	$8,467	33,230
Pinto Beans	1998	12.2	12.0	22.0	264		--	14,511
	1999	13.9	13.2	22.4	296		--	10,839
Garbanzo Beans	1998	4.0	3.8	22.1	84		--	418
	1999	12.1	11.8	11.3	133		--	740
Lentils	1999	19.0	16.0	13.0	208			2,387
Dry Peas	1999	50.0	39.0	17.0	663			5,030

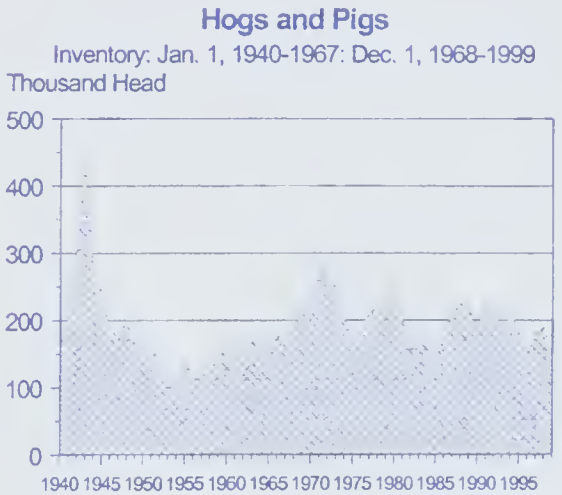
1/ All estimates for 1999 are preliminary and season average price and value of production not available. 2/ Planted for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Utilized production in actual tons. 5/ U.S. totals are for all potatoes. * Record low. **Record high.

Montana Livestock

	1/1/1999	1/1/2000	'00/'99
			Pct.
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,600,000	2,600,000	100
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,570,000	1,600,000	102
Beef Cows	1,552,000	1,582,000	102
Milk Cows	18,000	18,000	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over	575,000	570,000	99
For beef cow replacement	340,000	380,000	112
For milk cow replacement	10,000	10,000	100
Other heifers	225,000	180,000	80
Steers 500 pounds and over	245,000	230,000	94
Bulls 500 pounds and over	100,000	105,000	105
Calves less than 500 pounds	110,000	95,000	86
Cattle on Feed	70,000	70,000	100
All cattle value (Million $)	1,716.0	2,080.0	121
Value per head (Dollars)	660.00	800.00	121
Calf Crop	1998	1999	'99/'98
Calves born (Head)	1,520,000	1,570,000	103
Operations with cattle & calves	14,000	13,500	96
Operations with beef cows	12,700	12,300	97
Operations with milk cows	700	650	93
	12/1/98	12/1/99	'99/'98
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	190,000	150,000	79
Kept for Breeding	19,000	17,000	89
Market	171,000	133,000	78
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	8.7	11.1	128
Value per head (Dollars)	46.00	74.00	160
Sows Farrowing:	1998	1999	'99/'98
Dec. 1/-Nov.	38,500	36,000	94
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	344,000	325,000	94
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov	8.94	9.03	101
Operations With Hogs	650	600	92
	1/1/99	1/1/00	'00/'99
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	380,000	370,000	97
Breeding Sheep	345,000	340,000	99
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	270,000	274,000	102
Rams	9,000	9,000	100
Replacements Lambs	66,000	57,000	86
Market Sheep and Lambs	35,000	30,000	86
Sheep	1,000	2,000	200
Lambs	34,00	28,000	82
All sheep value (Million $)	30.4	33.7	111
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	91.00	114
Lamb Crop	1998	1999	'99/'98
Lamb crop (Head)	355,000	340,000	96
Operations with sheep & lambs	2,000	1,900	95

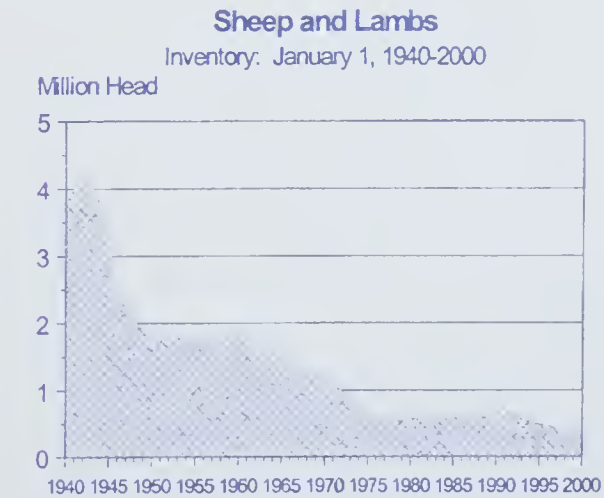
1/ Previous year.





Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	1996	1997	1998	1999	99/98
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,204.8	1,251.6	1,184.0	1,144.5	97
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	53.80	64.50	62.00	67 60	109
Calves	Dols./Cwt	62.20	84.70	78.60	89.90	114
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	655.8	831 0	754.3	805.8	107
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	75 9	61.1	65.1	71.9	110
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	49.70	55 30	40.10	30.80	77
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	37.9	34 0	26.9	24 1	90
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	39.0	36.8	37.7	31 7	84
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	31 20	37.40	29.20	29.10	100
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	91.10	97 80	73.60	76.80	104
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	28.8	29.7	21 4	20.7	97



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998 2/	1999 3/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu	3 90	3 28	2.53	4 63	4 24	3.62	3.03	3 20
Winter Wheat	Bu	4 15	3.64	2 80	4 62	4 24	3 40	2.80	2 95
Spring Wheat	Bu	5.75	3.18	2.72	4 59	4 22	3 58	3.13	3.25
Durum Wheat	Bu	4 14	3.47	2 65	5 09	4.65	5.18	3 23	3.50
Barley	Bu	1.96	1 50	1 25	3 00	3 07	2 83	2.27	2 15
Oats	Bu.	2.83	2.03	2 30	1 75	1.91	1 33	1.18	1.05
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	62 50	84.50	64 00	67 50	81.00	80.00	73.00	65.50
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	37.20	38.50	50.00	59 80	53.80	64 50	62 00	67.60
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	58.00	47.60	70.60	66.70	59.00	77.00	73.10	78.20
Beef Cows	Cwt.	68 30	58.40	83.30	37.90	33.20	36.60	34 40	36.30
Calves	Cwt	76 80	62.20	95 30	69.50	62.20	84 70	78.60	89.90
Sheep	Cwt.	44 80	35.70	51.00	26.80	31.20	37 40	29 20	29 10
Lambs	Cwt	61 70	66.80	48.30	81.40	91.10	97.80	73 60	76.80
Hogs, All	Cwt	17.70	17.60	17.60	39.10	49.70	55.30	40.10	30.80
Chickens	Lb.	.08	.07	.045	030	.020	.020	020	.020
Eggs	Doz.	.58	.51	68	57	66	.57	.55	.430
Milk, All	Cwt.	1.00	.67	.91	13.30	15.20	13.20	15.00	14.60
Wool	Lb	12.80	13.10	13.70	1.23	.94	1.01	.78	--

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised 3/ Preliminary

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM		UNIT		PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches		57,000,000	acres	1999	2	6.0
Number of farms and ranches		28,000	farms/ranches	1999	31	1.3
Income from cash	Total	1,799	million dollars	1998	34	0.9
receipts excluding	Crops	934	million dollars	1998	31	0.9
Gov't payments:	Livestock	865	million dollars	1998	32	0.9
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY						
All Cattle & Calves		2,600,000	head	Jan. 1, 2000	11	2.7
All Cows		1,600,000	head	Jan. 1, 2000	7	3 7
Beef Cows		1,582,000	head	Jan 1, 2000	6	4 7
Milk Cows		18,000	head	Jan. 1, 2000	43	0.2
Cattle on Feed		70,000	head	Jan. 1, 2000	22	0 5
All Sheep and Lambs		370,000	head	Jan 1, 2000	7	5 3
Hogs and Pigs		150,000	head	Dec. 1, 1999	28	0.3
All Chickens		410,000	birds	Dec. 1, 1999	41	0 1
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION						
Calf Crop		1,570,000	head	1999	7	4 1
Lamb Crop		340,000	head	1999	3	7.2
Pig Crop		325,000	head	1999	27	0.3
Wool Production		3,196,000	pounds	1999	5	6 9
Egg Production		94,000,000	eggs	1999	41	0.1
Honey Production		8,540,000	pounds	1999	7	4.2
CROP PRODUCTION						
All Wheat		154,310,000	bushels	1999	3	6.7
Winter Wheat		36,860,000	bushels	1999	14	2.2
Durum Wheat		9,450,000	bushels	1999	2	9 5
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum		108 000,000	bushels	1999	2	21 5
Barley		57,500,000	bushels	1999	2	20 4
Oats		3,220,000	bushels	1999	14	2.2
All Hay		5,055,000	tons	1999	12	3 2
Alfalfa Hay		3,630,000	tons	1999	9	4 3
Dry Beans		441,000	cwt	1999	11	1 3
Potatoes--fall		3,325,000	cwt	1999	13	0.7
Sugar Beets		1,468,000	tons	1999	6	4.4
Corn for Grain		1,980,000	bushels	1999	40	1/
Corn for Silage		900,000	tons	1999	25	0 9

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 2000 population, at 902,195, was up 12.9 percent from 1990. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 6.2 in 2000--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 57.0 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 2000 Census	902,195
People Per Square Mile	6.2
Rural Farm Population (1990)	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,388	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93.0	Mil. Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	58,607,778	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	63.0	Percent

1/ 1997 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

Farm Counts and Measurements, 2000

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	27,600	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$698,335
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,054 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$375
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$24.5 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$100,938
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch	$889,457		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 2001.

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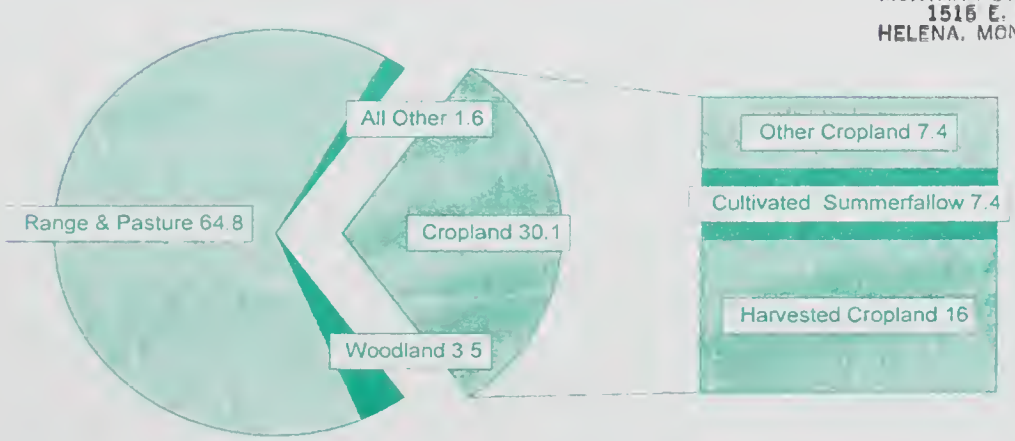
LAND IN FARMS & RANCHES

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



Source: 1997 Census of Agriculture

Montana Annual Crop Summary, 1998-2001 1/

Crop	Year	MONTANA Acreage Planted	MONTANA Acreage Harvested	MONTANA Yield Per Acre	MONTANA Total Production	MONTANA Season Avg Price	MONTANA Value of Production	US Production
		(000)	(000)	Bu	(000)		(000)	(000)
Winter Wheat	1998	1,400	1,250	39 0	48,750	$2 80	$136,500	1,880,733
	1999	1,050	970	38.0	36,860	$2 67	$98,416	1 696,580
	2000	1,500	1,350	33.0	44,550	$2 87	$127,858	1,566,023
	2001	1,300	870	22 0	19,140	$3 20	$61,248	1,361,479
Durum Wheat	1998	450	430	28 0	12,040	$3 23	$38,889	138,119
	1999	360	350	27.0	9,450	$3 45	$32,602	99,322
	2000	480	470	28 0	13,160	$3 52	**$46,323	109,805
	2001	510	495	24.0	11,880	$3 85	$45,738	83,556
Other Spring Wheat	1998	3,800	3,600	30 0	108,000	$3 13	$338,040	528,469
	1999	4,150	4,000	27 0	108,000	$2 97	$320,760	503,108
	2000	3,350	3,100	25.0	77,500	$3 03	$234,825	556,632
	2001	3,550	2,850	23 0	65,550	$3.20	$209,760	512,608
All Wheat	1998	5,650	5,280	32 0	168,790	$3.03	$513,429	2,547,321
	1999	5,560	5,320	29 0	154,310	$2 93	$451,779	2,299,010
	2000	5,330	4,920	27 5	135,210	$3.02	$409,007	2,232,460
	2001	5,360	4,215	22 9	96,570	$3 30	$316,746	1,957,643
Barley	1998	1,350	1,200	48.0	57,600	$2 27	$130,752	352,125
	1999	1,300	1,150	50 0	57,500	$2.32	$133,400	280,292
	2000	1,250	950	40.0	38,000	$2.38	$90 440	318,728
	2001	1,100	720	41.0	29,520	$2.70	$79,704	249,590
Oats	1998	140	60	54.0	3,240	$1.18	$3,823	165,981
	1999	170	70	46 0	3,220	$1.06	$3,413	146,193
	2000	130	50	52.0	2,600	$1 13	$2,938	149,545
	2001	130	60	40 0	2,400	$1.70	$4,080	116,856
Corn for Grain 2/	1998	60	18	115 0	2,070	$1.90	$3,933	9,758,685
	1999	65	18	110 0	1,980	$1 55	$3,069	9,430,612
	2000	60	16	140.0	2,240	$1 53	$3,427	9,915,051
	2001	65	13	**148 0	1,924	$2.00	$3,848	9 506,840
			(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	0
Corn for Silage	1998	--	41	21 0	861	--	--	95,479
	1999	--	45	20 0	900	--	--	95,633
	2000	--	42	21.0	882	--	--	102,156
	2001	--	51	**22 0	1,122	--	--	102,352
Sugar Beets	1998	64 0	62.4	22 6	1,410	$36.90	$52,029	32,499
	1999	61 8	61 7	23.8	1,468	$40.40	$59,307	33,420
	2000	60.7	55 2	23.9	1,319	$34 70	$45,769	32,541
	2001	57.4	53.5	21.5	1,150	--	--	25,754
Alfalfa Hay	1998	--	**1,700	2.20	3,740	$73.00	$273,020	82,310
	1999	--	1,650	2.20	3,630	$66.00	$239,580	84,385
	2000	--	1,200	2 10	2,520	$86.50	$217,980	80,347
	2001	--	1,450	2 10	3,045	**$92.50	$281,663	80,266
Other Hay	1998	--	800	1 60	1,280	$62.50	$80,000	69,470
	1999	--	950	1.50	1,425	$56 00	$79,800	75,322
	2000	--	800	1.30	1,040	$78 00	$81,120	71,574
	2001	--	**1,000	1.40	1,400	**$82.50	**$115,500	76,437
All Hay 3/	1998	--	2,500	2.01	5,020	$72.00	$353,020	151,780
	1999	--	**2,600	1 94	5,055	$65.00	$319,380	159,707
	2000	--	2,000	1.78	3,560	$85.50	$299,100	151,921
	2001	--	2,450	1 81	4,445	**$90.50	**$397,163	156,703
Sweet Cherries 4/	1998	--	--	--	1,890	$1,080.00	$2,040	208,410
	1999	--	--	--	690	$1,560.00	$1,076	213,260
	2000	--	--	--	1,050	$1,490.00	$1,565	204,020
	2001	--	--	--	1,670	$762.00	$1,273	219,440
			(000)	Cwt.	(000)		(000)	0
Fall Potatoes 5/	1998	10 6	10.6	300	3,180	$7.95	$25,281	432,737
	1999	11.0	10.9	305	3,325	$8.80	$29,260	429,847
	2000	11 5	11.3	310	3,503	$5.75	$20,142	467,504
	2001	9.6	9.5	320	3,040	$8.55	$25,992	400,727
All Dry Beans	1998	16.6	16 0	21 9	350	$15 60	$5,460	30,418
	1999	26 5	25.5	17.3	441	$17 90	$7,894	33,085
	2000	40.5	34 8	14 0	486	$16.30	$7,922	26,409
	2001	38.5	24.0	13.8	332	$17.30	$5,744	19,541
Pinto Beans	1998	12.2	12.0	22.0	264	--	--	14,511
	1999	13.9	13.2	22 4	296	--	--	10,839
	2000	14 5	**13.8	**24.0	**331	--	--	10,670
	2001	11.6	**10 0	**20 0	*200			8,561
Garbanzo Beans 6/	1998	**4 0	**3.8	22.1	*84	--	--	418
	1999	12.1	11 8	11 3	133	--	--	735
	2000	25.3	20.5	7.3	150	--	--	1,308
	2001	26.5	13 5	9 4	127			1,606
Lentils 6/	1998	20 0	19.0	**10.0	*190	$10 30	$1,957	1,938
	1999	19.0	**16.0	13 0	208	$12.60	$2,621	2,387
	2000	22.0	**21 0	*10 0	210	$10.00	$2,100	3,029
	2001	22 0	20 0	11.0	**220	$11.00	$2,420	2,898
Dry Peas	1998	45 0	37 0	18.0	666	$4 90	$3,263	5,934
	1999	37 0	29 0	14 0	406	$6.00	$2,436	4,773
	2000	28 0	24 0	9.7	233	$8 80	$2,050	3,499
	2001	31 0	21.0	14 0	294	$5 00	$1,470	3,779
Austrian Winter Peas 7/	2001	9 9	2 5	7 9	20	$11 00	$220	97

1/ All estimates for 2001 are preliminary and season average price and value of production for 2001 are not yet available 2/ Planted for all purposes 3/ Price of baled hay 4/ Utilized production in actual tons 5/ Data series begun in 1998 6/ Data series begun in 2001 -- Not Available * Record Low ** Record High

Montana Livestock

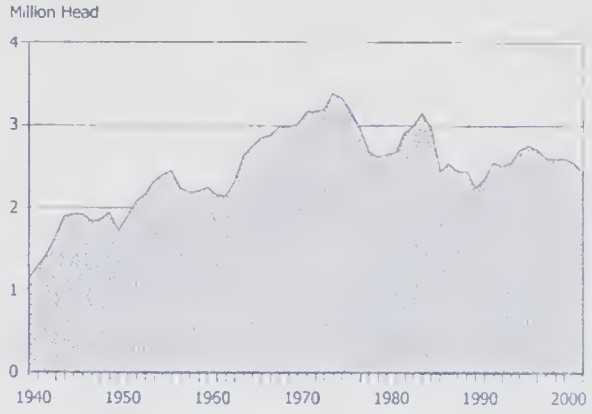
	1/1/2001	1/1/2002	'02/'01
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,550,000	2,450,000	96%
Cows & Heifers that have calved	1,550,000	1,470,000	95%
Beef Cows	1,531,000	1,451,000	95%
Milk Cows	19,000	19,000	100%
Heifers 500 pounds and over	590,000	560,000	95%
For beef cow replacement	405,000	370,000	91%
For milk cow replacement	10,000	13,000	130%
Other heifers	175,000	177,000	101%
Steers 500 pounds and over	210,000	245,000	117%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	110,000	100,000	91%
Calves less than 500 pounds	90,000	75,000	83%
Cattle on Feed	60,000	70,000	117%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,167.5	2,058.0	95%
Value per head (Dollars)	850.00	840.00	99%
	2000	2001	'01/00
Calves born (Head)	1,620,000	1,550,000	96%
Operations with cattle & calves	14,400	13,300	92%
Operations with beef cows	12,800	11,900	93%
Operations with milk cows	650	650	100%

	12/1/00	12/1/01	'01/'00
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	155,000	170,000	110%
Kept for Breeding	18,000	19,000	106%
Market	137,000	151,000	110%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	12.1	13.8	111%
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	81.00	101%
Sows Farrowing:	2000	2001	'01/'00
Dec. 1/-Nov	33,500	37,500	112%
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov	304,000	341,000	112%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	9.07	9.09	100%
Operations With Hogs	650	550	85%

	1/1/01	1/1/02	'02/'01
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	360,000	335,000	93%
Breeding Sheep	330,000	300,000	91%
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	265,000	232,000	88%
Rams	9,000	8,000	89%
Replacements Lambs	56,000	60,000	107%
Market Sheep and Lambs	30,000	35,000	117%
Sheep	2,000	1,000	50%
Lambs	28,000	34,000	121%
All sheep value (Million $)	33.8	26.8	79%
Value per head (Dollars)	94.00	80.00	85%
	2000	2001	'01/'00
Lamb crop (Head)	365,000	340,000	93%
Operations with sheep & lambs	2,000	1,800	90%

1/ Previous year.

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-2002



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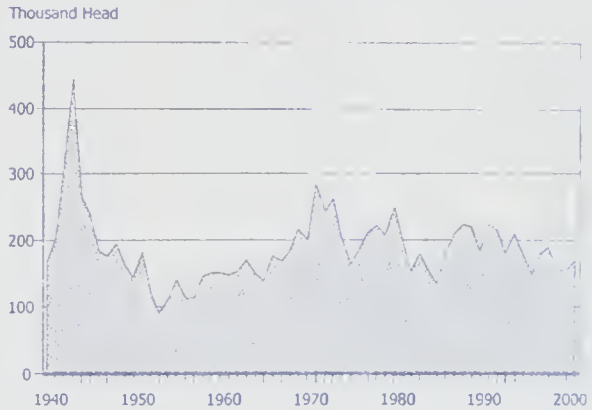
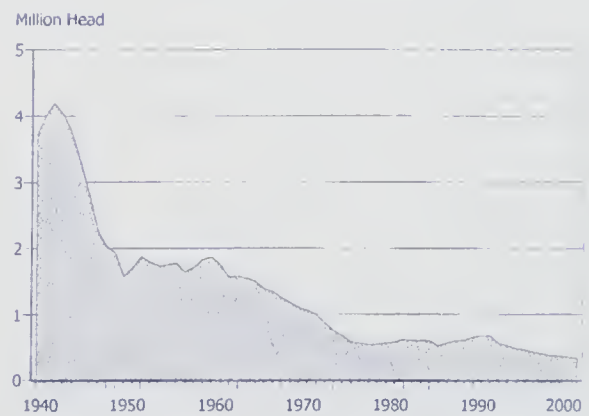


Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	1998	1999	2000	2001	'01/'00
						Pct.
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,184.0	1,144.5	1,180.9	1,175.4	99
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	62.00	67.60	78.30	80.50	103
Calves	Dols./Cwt	78.60	89.90	103.00	99.20	96
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	754.3	805.8	967.0	977.6	101
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	65.1	70.7	73.3	78.1	107
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	40.10	30.80	39.80	43.60	110
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	26.9	23.8	30.5	35.7	117
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	37.7	31.7	34.0	36.4	107
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	29.20	29.10	31.40	33.90	108
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	73.60	76.80	84.50	59.80	71
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	21.4	20.7	24.2	18.5	76

Sheep and Lambs
Inventory: January 1, 1940-2002



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	1998	1999	2000 2/	20013/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu	3.90	3.28	2.53	4 63	3 03	2 93	3 02	3 30
Winter Wheat	Bu.	4 15	3 64	2 80	4 62	2 80	2 67	2 87	3 20
Spring Wheat	Bu.	5.75	3 18	2.72	4 59	3 13	2 97	3 03	3 20
Durum Wheat	Bu	4 14	3 47	2 65	5.09	3 23	3 45	3.52	3 85
Barley	Bu.	1 96	1.50	1 25	3 00	2 27	2 32	2.38	2 70
Oats	Bu	2.83	2.03	2 30	1.75	1 18	1.06	1 13	1.70
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	62 50	84.50	64 00	67.50	73 00	66 00	86 50	92 50
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	37.20	38 50	50.00	59.80	62 00	67.60	78.30	80.50
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	58.00	47 60	70 60	66.70	73 10	78.20	88 30	89.60
Beef Cows	Cwt.	68.30	58.40	83 30	37.90	34 40	36.30	39.50	41.90
Calves	Cwt	76.80	62 20	95.30	69 50	78 60	89 90	103 00	99.20
Sheep	Cwt.	41.80	35.70	51 00	26 80	29 20	29.10	31 40	33 90
Lambs	Cwt.	61 70	66.80	48.30	81.40	73.60	76.80	84 50	59 80
Hogs, All	Cwt.	17.70	17.60	17 60	39.10	40.10	30 80	39.80	43.60
Chickens	Lb.	08	07	.045	.030	020	.020	015	.010
Eggs	Doz.	58	51	.68	57	.55	.43	.46	.41
Milk, All	Cwt.	1 00	67	.91	13 30	15.00	14.60	12.80	15.10
Wool	Lb	12 80	13.10	13.70	1.23	78	50	37	45

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM			UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches		56,500,000	acres	2001	2	6 0
Number of farms and ranches		26,600	farms/ranches	2001	31	1 2
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments:	Total	1,806	million dollars	2000	34	ITEM
	Crops	704	million dollars	2000	33	
	Livestock	1,102	million dollars	2000	29	
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY						
All Cattle & Calves		2,450,000	head	Jan. 1, 2002	12	2 5
All Cows		1,470,000	head	Jan. 1, 2002	9	3.5
Beef Cows		1,451,000	head	Jan. 1, 2002	7	4.4
Milk Cows		19,000	head	Jan. 1, 2002	42	0 2
Cattle on Feed		70,000	head	Jan 1, 2002	21	0.5
All Sheep and Lambs		335,000	head	Jan 1, 2002	7	5.0
Hogs and Pigs		170,000	head	Dec 1, 2001	26	0.3
All Chickens		480,000	birds	Dec. 1, 2001	40	0.1
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION						
Calf Crop		1,550,000	head	2001	7	4 0
Lamb Crop		340,000	head	2001	3	7.6
Pig Crop		341,000	head	2001	26	0.3
Wool Production		2,978,000	pounds	2001	5	6.9
Egg Production		95,000,000	eggs	2001	40	0.1
Honey Production		13,872,000	pounds	2001	5	7 5
CROP PRODUCTION						
All Wheat		96,570,000	bushels	2001	6	4 9
Winter Wheat		19,140,000	bushels	2001	17	1.4
Durum Wheat		11,880,000	bushels	2001	2	14 2
Spring Wheat Other Than Durum		65,550,000	bushels	2001	3	12.8
Barley		29,520,000	bushels	2001	3	11.8
Oats		2,400,000	bushels	2001	13	2 1
All Hay		4,445,000	tons	2001	15	2.8
Alfalfa Hay		3,045,000	tons	2001	12	3 8
Dry Beans, All		332,000	cwt	2001	11	1 7
Pinto Beans		200,000	cwt	2001	8	2 3
Garbanzo Beans		127,000	cwt	2001	6	7 9
Lentils		220,000	cwt	2001	4	7 6
Dry Edible Peas		294,000	cwt	2001	4	7 8
Potatoes--fall		3,040,000	cwt	2001	13	0 8
Sugar Beets		1,150,000	tons	2001	6	4.5
Flaxseed		180,000	bushels	2001	3	1 6
Corn for Grain		1,924,000	bushels	2001	41	1/
Corn for Silage		1,122,000	tons	2001	25	1 1

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Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	27,500	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch	$734,608
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,062 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 3/	$384
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/	$24.7 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation	$107,498
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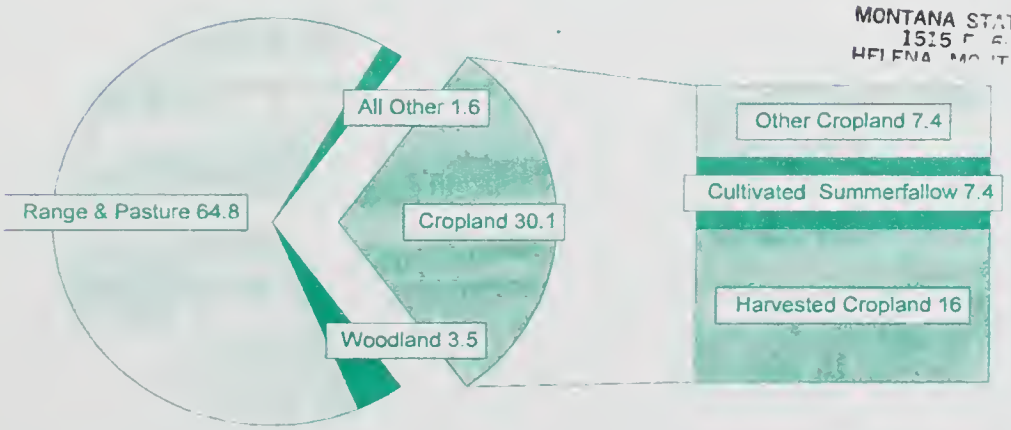

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Crop	Year	MONTANA						US
		Acres Planted	Acres Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg. Price	Value of Production	Production
		(000)		Bu.	(000) Bu.		(000) $	(000)
Winter Wheat	2000	1,500	1,350	33.0	44,550	$2.87	$127,858	1,566,023
	2001	1,300	870	22.0	19,140	$3.07	$58,760	1,361,479
	2002	1,450	750	28.0	21,000	$3.90	$81,900	1,142,802
Durum Wheat	2000	480	470	28.0	13,160	$3.52	**$46,323	109,805
	2001	510	495	24.0	11,880	$3.80	$45,144	83,556
	2002	590	565	23.0	12,995	$4.50	**$58,478	79,450
Other Spring Wheat	2000	3,350	3,100	25.0	77,500	$3.03	$234,825	556,632
	2001	3,550	2,850	23.0	65,550	$3.06	$200,583	512,008
	2002	3,750	3,450	22.0	75,900	$4.30	$326,370	394,189
All Wheat	2000	5,330	4,920	27.5	135,210	$3.02	$409,007	2,232,460
	2001	5,360	4,215	22.9	96,570	$3.14	$304,487	1,957,043
	2002	5,790	4,765	23.1	109,895	$4.25	$466,748	1,616,441
Barley	2000	1,250	950	40.0	38,000	$2.38	$90,440	318,728
	2001	1,100	720	41.0	29,520	$2.65	$78,228	249,420
	2002	1,200	950	42.0	39,900	$2.90	$115,710	226,873
Oats	2000	130	50	52.0	2,600	$1.13	$2,938	149,545
	2001	130	60	40.0	2,400	$1.96	$4,704	117,024
	2002	145	55	49.0	2,695	$2.00	$5,390	119,132
Corn for Grain 2/	2000	60	16	140.0	2,240	$1.53	$3,427	9,915,051
	2001	65	13	**148.0	1,924	$1.89	$3,636	9,506,840
	2002	65	13	140.0	1,820	$2.45	$4,459	9,007,659
			(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	(000)
Corn for Silage	2000	--	42	21.0	882	--	--	102,156
	2001	--	51	22.0	1,122	--	--	102,077
	2002	--	49	**22.0	1,078	--	--	104,979
Sugar Beet	2000	60.7	55.2	23.9	1,319	$34.70	$45,779	32,541
	2001	57.4	53.5	21.5	1,150	$38.80	$44,620	25,764
	2002	58.0	55.9	19.6	1,096	--	--	27,550
Alfalfa Hay	2000	--	1,200	2.10	2,520	$86.50	$217,980	80,347
	2001	--	1,450	2.10	3,045	**$95.50	$290,798	80,327
	2002	--	1,400	2.10	2,940	$85.50	$251,370	73,824
Other Hay	2000	--	800	1.30	1,040	$78.00	$81,120	71,574
	2001	--	1,000	1.40	1,400	**$87.00	$121,800	76,437
	2002	--	**1,200	1.40	1,680	$76.00	**$127,680	77,138
All Hay 3/	2000	--	2,000	1.78	3,560	$85.50	$299,100	151,921
	2001	--	2,450	1.81	4,445	**$94.00	**$397,163	156,764
	2002	--	2,600	1.78	4,620	$84.00	$379,050	150,962
Sweet Cherries 4/	2000	--	-	--	1,050	$1,490.00	$1,569	204,020
	2001	--	--	--	1,670	$762.00	$1,273	219,440
	2002	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
			(000)	Cwt.	(000)		(000)	(000)
Fall Potatoes	2000	11.5	11.3	310	**3,503	$5.75	$20,142	467,504
	2001	10.5	10.3	**320	3,296	$9.15	$30,158	393,750
	2002	10.5	10.4	310	3,224	$11.40	$36,754	417,228
All Dry Beans	2000	40.5	34.8	14.0	486	$16.30	**$7,922	26,409
	2001	43.5	28.5	13.2	376	$17.30	$6,505	19,583
	2002	26.9	23.0	15.7	361	$15.20	$5,487	29,974
Pinto Beans	2000	**14.5	**13.8	**24.0	**331	--	--	10,670
	2001	*11.5	*10.0	*20.0	*200	--	-	8,721
	2002	13.5	12.9	22.2	287	--	--	12,880
Garbanzo Beans 5/	2000	**25.3	**20.5	*7.3	150	--		1,308
	2001	31.5	18.0	9.5	171	--	--	1,612
	2002	12.7	9.6	7.4	*71	--	--	838
All Other Beans 2/	2000	0.7	0.5	1.0	5	--	--	962
	2001	0.5	0.5	1.0	5	--	-	747
	2002	0.7	0.5	0.6	3	--	-	1,005
Lentils 5/	2000	22.0	21.0	10.0	210	*$10.00	$2,100	3,029
	2001	22.0	20.0	11.0	**220	$11.00	$2,420	2,898
	2002	**25.0	21.0	*7.1	*149	$12.50	*$1,863	2,508
Dry Peas	2000	28.0	24.0	9.7	233	$5.00	$1,040	3,499
	2001	26.0	16.5	15.1	249	$4.90	$1,220	3,763
	2002	32.0	27.0	7.6	205	$6.90	$1,415	4,242
Austrian Winter Peas 6/	2001	9.9	2.5	7.9	20	$11.00	$220	97
	2002	9.5	3.5	5.8	20	$9.35	$187	164

1/ All estimates for 2002 are preliminary. 2/ Planted for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Utilized production in actual tons. 5/ Data series begun in 1998. 6/ Data series begun in 2001. -- Not Available. * Record Low. ** Record High.

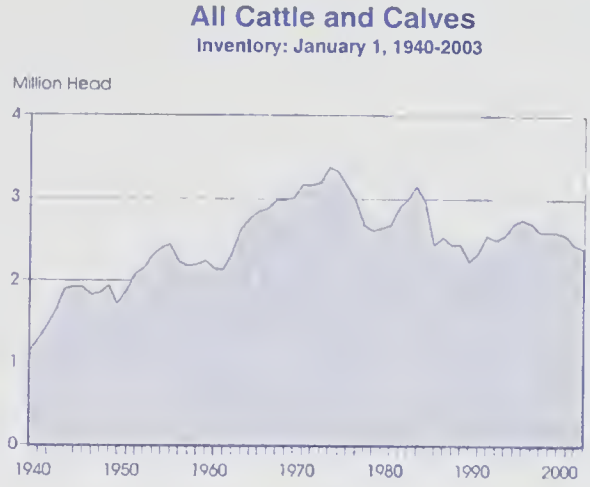
Montana Major Livestock

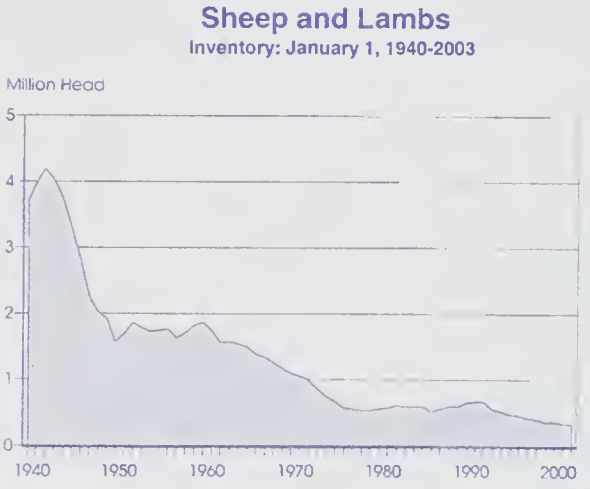
	1/1/2002	1/1/2003	'03/'02
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,450,000	2,400,000	98%
Cows & Heifers that have calved.	1,470,000	1,420,000	97%
Beef Cows	1,451,000	1,402,000	97%
Milk Cows	19,000	18,000	95%
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	560,000	570,000	102%
For beef cow replacement	370,000	380,000	103%
For milk cow replacement	13,000	11,000	85%
Other heifers	177,000	179,000	101%
Steers 500 pounds and over	245,000	240,000	98%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	100,000	100,000	100%
Calves less than 500 pounds	75,000	70,000	93%
Cattle on Feed	70,000	70,000	100%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,058.0	1,968.0	96%
Value per head (Dollars)	840.00	820.00	98%
	2001	2002	'02/01
Calves born (Head)	1,550,000	1,490,000	96%
Operations with cattle & calves	13,300	12,500	94%
Operations with beef cows	11,900	11,400	96%
Operations with milk cows	650	600	92%

	1/1/2002	1/1/2003	'03/'02
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	335,000	300,000	90%
Breeding Sheep	300,000	270,000	90%
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	232,000	213,000	92%
Rams	8,000	8,000	100%
Replacements Lambs	60,000	49,000	82%
Market Sheep and Lambs	35,000	30,000	86%
Sheep	1,000	1,000	100%
Lambs	34,000	29,000	85%
All sheep value (Million $)	26.8	29.4	110%
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	98.00	123%
	2001	2002	'02/01
Lamb crop (Head)	340,000	315,000	93%
Operations with sheep & lambs	1,800	1,700	94%

	12/1/01	12/1/02	'02/'01
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	170,000	185,000	109%
Kept for Breeding	19,000	21,000	111%
Market	151,000	164,000	109%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	13.6	13.7	101%
Value per head (Dollars)	80.00	74.00	93%
Sows Farrowing:	2001	2002	'02/01
Dec. 1/-Nov.	38,000	38,000	100%
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	346,000	348,000	101%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	9.11	9.16	101%
Operations With Hogs	550	500	91%

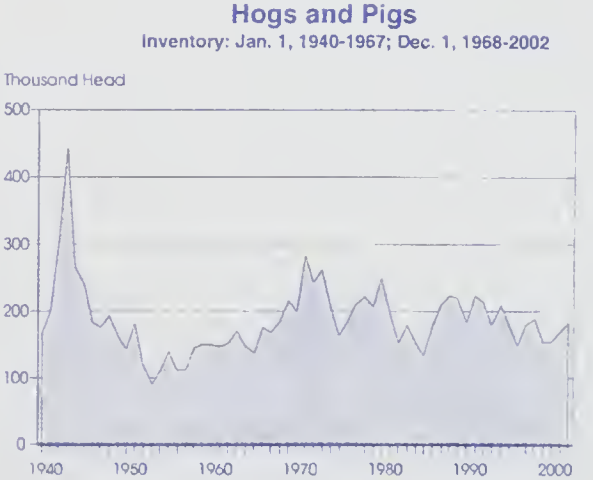
1/ Previous year.





Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	1999	2000	2001	2002	'02/'01
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,144.5	1,180.9	1,171.8	1,158.2	99%
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	67.60	78.30	80.50	70.50	88%
Calves	Dols./Cwt	89.90	103.00	99.20	90.10	91%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	805.8	967.0	974.7	846.2	87%
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	31.7	34.0	36.4	34.3	94%
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	29.10	31.40	33.90	26.60	78%
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	76.80	84.50	59.80	80.30	134%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	20.7	24.2	18.5	21.3	115%
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	70.7	73.3	76.5	78.5	103%
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	30.80	39.80	43.60	35.90	82%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	23.8	30.5	34.5	29.4	85%



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	1999	2000	2001 2/	20023/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu	3.90	3.28	2.53	4.63	2.93	3.02	3.14	4.25
Winter Wheat	Bu.	4.15	3.64	2.80	4.62	2.67	2.87	3.07	3.90
Spring Wheat	Bu	5.75	3.18	2.72	4.59	2.97	3.03	3.06	4.30
Durum Wheat	Bu.	4.14	3.47	2.65	5.09	3.45	3.52	3.80	4.50
Barley	Bu.	1.96	1.50	1.25	3.00	2.32	2.38	2.65	2.90
Oats	Bu.	2.83	2.03	2.30	1.75	1.06	1.13	1.96	2.00
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	62.50	84.50	64.00	67.50	66.00	86.50	95.50	85.50
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	37.20	38.50	50.00	59.80	67.60	78.30	80.50	70.50
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	58.00	47.60	70.60	66.70	78.20	88.30	89.60	80.70
Beef Cows	Cwt	68.30	58.40	83.30	37.90	36.30	39.50	41.90	38.10
Calves	Cwt	76.80	62.20	95.30	69.50	89.90	103.00	99.20	90.10
Sheep	Cwt.	44.80	35.70	51.00	26.80	29.10	31.40	33.90	26.60
Lambs	Cwt.	61.70	66.80	48.30	81.40	76.80	84.50	59.80	80.30
Hogs, All	Cwt.	17.70	17.60	17.60	39.10	30.80	39.80	43.60	35.90
Chickens	Lb.	.08	.07	.045	.030	.020	.015	.010	.010
Eggs	Doz.	.58	.51	.68	.57	.43	.46	.41	.46
Milk, All	Cwt.	1.00	.67	.91	13.30	14.60	12.80	15.10	12.30
Wool	Lb.	12.80	13.10	13.70	1.23	.50	.37	.45	.76

1. Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM		UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches	56,700,000	acres	2002	2	6.0
Number of farms and ranches	28,000	farms/ranches	2002	31	1.3
Income from cash receipts, excluding Gov't payments: Total	1,785	million dollars	2001	34	0.9
Crops	657	million dollars	2001	34	0.7
Livestock	1,128	million dollars	2001	30	1.1
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY					
All Cattle & Calves	2,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	13	2.5
All Cows	1,420,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	9	3.4
Beef Cows	1,402,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	7	4.3
Milk Cows	18,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	42	0.2
Cattle on Feed	70,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	21	0.5
All Sheep and Lambs	300,000	head	Jan. 1, 2003	7	4.7
Hogs and Pigs	185,000	head	Dec. 1, 2002	25	0.3
All Chickens	480,000	birds	Dec. 1, 2002	39	0.1
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION					
Calf Crop	1,490,000	head	2002	8	3.9
Lamb Crop	315,000	head	2002	4	7.2
Pig Crop	348,000	head	2002	27	0.3
Wool Production	2,691,000	pounds	2002	6	6.5
Egg Production	104,000,000	eggs	2002	39	0.1
Honey Production	8,442,000	pounds	2002	6	4.9
CROP PRODUCTION					
All Wheat	109,895,000	bushels	2002	4	6.8
Winter Wheat	21,000,000	bushels	2002	15	1.8
Durum Wheat	12,995,000	bushels	2002	2	16.4
Other Spring Wheat	75,900,000	bushels	2002	2	19.3
Barley	39,900,000	bushels	2002	3	17.6
Oats	2,695,000	bushels	2002	14	2.3
All Hay	4,620,000	tons	2002	13	3.1
Alfalfa Hay	2,940,000	tons	2002	10	4.0
Dry Beans, All	361,000	cwt	2002	10	1.2
Pinto Beans	287,000	cwt	2002	7	2.2
Garbanzo Beans	71,000	cwt	2002	5	8.5
Lentil	149,000	cwt	2002	4	5.9
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Sugar Beets	1,096,000	tons	2002	6	4.0
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Corn for Grain	1,820,000	bushels	2002	41	1/
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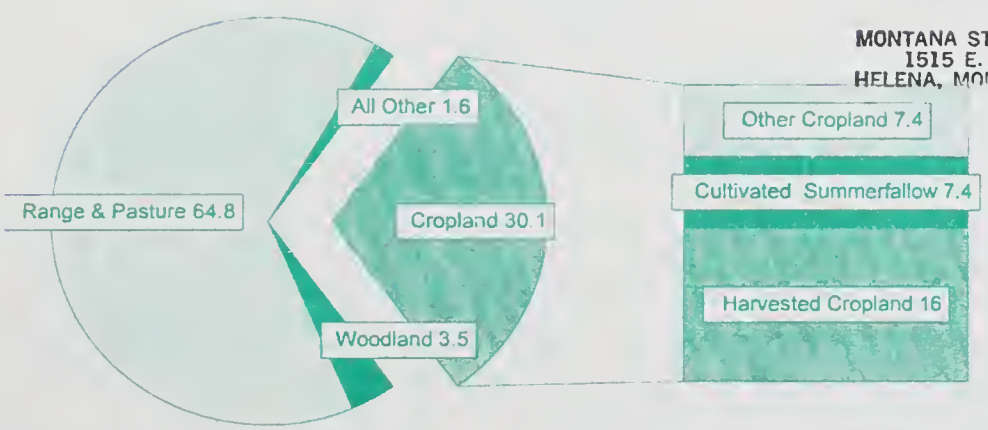

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	2002	1,450	780	28.0	21,840	$3.73	$81,463	1,137,001
	2003	1,800	1,720	37.0	63,640	$3.70	$235,468	1,707,069
Durum Wheat	2001	510	495	24.0	11,880	$3.80	$45,144	83,556
	2002	590	565	23.0	12,995	$4.49	$58,348	79,960
	2003	640	630	23.0	14,490	$4.25	**$61,583	96,637
Other Spring Wheat	2001	3,550	2,850	23.0	65,550	$3.06	$200,583	510,778
	2002	3,750	3,450	22.0	75,900	$4.08	$309,672	388,917
	2003	2,850	2,700	22.0	59,400	$3.85	$228,690	532,820
All Wheat	2001	5,360	4,215	22.9	96,570	$3.14	$303,230	1,947,453
	2002	5,790	4,795	23.1	110,735	$4.04	$447,369	1,605,878
	2003	5,290	5,050	27.2	137,530	$3.85	$529,491	2,336,526
Barley	2001	1,100	720	41.0	29,520	$2.65	$78,228	248,329
	2002	1,180	930	42.0	39,060	$2.86	$111,712	226,906
	2003	1,100	810	39.0	31,590	$3.00	$94,770	276,087
Oats	2001	130	60	44.0	2,640	$1.96	$5,174	117,602
	2002	135	50	46.0	2,300	$2.02	$4,646	116,002
	2003	120	*45	44.0	1,980	$1.70	$3,366	144,649
Corn	2001	65	13	**148.0	1,924	$1.89	$3,636	9,502,580
for	2002	65	13	140.0	1,820	$2.45	$4,459	8,966,787
Grain 2/	2003	65	17	140.0	2,380	$2.65	$6,307	10,113,887
			(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	(000)
Corn	2001	--	51	22.0	1,122	--	--	101,992
for	2002	--	49	22.0	1,078	--	--	102,293
Silage	2003	--	47	**24.0	1,128	--	--	105,864
Sugar Beets	2001	57.4	53.5	21.5	1,150	$38.80	$44,620	25,708
	2002	58.0	55.9	19.6	1,096	$41.00	$44,936	27,707
	2003	51.7	51.5	**25.4	1,308	--	--	30,605
Alfalfa Hay	2001	--	1,600	2.20	3,520	**$95.50	$336,160	80,354
	2002	--	1,500	2.00	3,000	$85.00	$255,000	73,014
	2003	--	1,600	2.10	3,360	$77.00	$258,720	76,307
Other Hay	2001	--	1,050	1.40	1,470	**$87.00	$127,890	76,062
	2002	--	1,100	1.40	**1,540	$74.50	**$114,730	76,453
	2003	--	850	1.50	1,275	$72.50	$92,438	80,816
Hay	2001	--	2,650	1.88	4,990	**$94.00	$469,060	156,416
Dry	2002	--	2,600	1.75	4,540	$82.50	$374,550	149,467
	2003	--	2,450	1.89	4,635	$76.50	$354,578	157,123
Hay	2001	--	--	--	2,300	$1,130.00	$2,082	270,914
Alfalfa 4/	2002	--	--	--	2,220	**$1,820.00	**$3,791	274,180
	2003	--	--	-	1,920	$1,670.00	$2,884	326,799
			(000)	Cwt.	(000)		(000)	(000)
Potatoes	2001	10.5	10.3	**320	3,296	$9.15	**$30,158	393,631
	2002	10.5	10.4	310	3,224	$8.25	$26,598	413,581
	2003	10.7	10.6	315	3,339	$8.00	$26,712	411,386
All Dry Beans	2001	43.5	28.5	13.2	376	$17.30	$6,505	19,610
	2002	26.9	23.0	16.0	367	$15.20	$5,578	30,312
	2003	13.0	12.8	18.2	233	$17.60	$4,101	22,515
Pinto Beans 5/	2001	11.5	10.0	*20.0	200	--	--	8,750
	2002	13.5	12.9	22.5	290	--	--	13,188
	2003	*9.7	*9.7	21.5	209	--	--	10,437
Garbanzo Beans 5/	2001	31.5	18.0	9.5	**171	--	--	1,612
	2002	12.7	9.6	7.6	73	--	--	861
	2003	*3.2	*3.0	*7.3	*22	--	--	434
All Other Beans 5/	2001	0.5	0.5	1.0	5	--	--	736
	2002	0.7	0.5	0.7	4	--	--	860
	2003	0.1	0.1	2.0	2	--	--	772
Lentils 5/	2001	22.0	20.0	11.0	220	$11.00	$2,420	2,898
	2002	25.0	22.0	*7.5	*165	$13.80	*$2,056	2,571
	2003	**30.0	**26.0	10.5	**273	$14.50	$3,959	2,442
Dry Peas	2001	26.0	16.5	15.1	249	$4.90	$1,220	3,763
	2002	32.0	27.0	*8.0	216	**$7.20	$1,555	4,727
	2003	33.0	31.0	14.5	450	$6.10	$2,745	5,202
Austrian Winter Peas 6/	2002	9.5	3.5	7.2	25	$10.00	$250	103
	2003	9.5	7.0	8.0	56	$12.30	$689	183

1/ All estimates for 2003 are preliminary and season average price and value of production for 2003 are not yet available. 2/ Planted for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Utilized production in actual tons. 5/Data series begun in 1998. 6/Data series begun in 2001. -- Not Available. * Record Low. ** Record High.

Montana Major Livestock

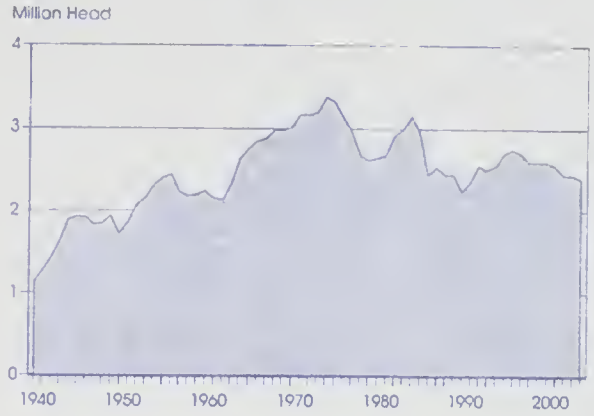
	1/1/2003	1/1/2004	'04/'03
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,450,000	2,400,000	98%
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,450,000	1,490,000	103%
Beef Cows	1,432,000	1,472,000	103%
Milk Cows	18,000	18,000	100%
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	590,000	570,000	97%
For beef cow replacement	390,000	420,000	108%
For milk cow replacement	11,000	8,000	73%
Other heifers	189,000	142,000	75%
Steers 500 pounds and over	240,000	200,000	83%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	100,000	90,000	90%
Calves less than 500 pounds	70,000	50,000	71%
Cattle on Feed	70,000	70,000	100%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,009.0	2,280.0	113%
Value per head (Dollars)	820.00	950.00	116%
	2002	2003	'03/02
Calves born (Head)	1,520,000	1,540,000	101%
Operations with cattle & calves	13,200	13,000	98%
Operations with beef cows	11,400	11,800	104%
Operations with milk cows	600	600	100%

	1/1/2003	1/1/2004	'04/'03
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	310,000	300,000	97%
Breeding Sheep	280,000	280,000	100%
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	220,000	220,000	100%
Rams	8,000	7,000	88%
Replacements Lambs	52,000	53,000	102%
Market Sheep and Lambs	30,000	20,000	67%
Sheep	1,000	2,000	200%
Lambs	29,000	18,000	62%
All sheep value (Million $)	30.4	36.0	119%
Value per head (Dollars)	98.00	120.00	122%
	2002	2003	'03/02
Lamb crop (Head)	295,000	280,000	95%
Operations with sheep & lambs	1,900	1,900	100%

	12/1/02	12/1/03	'03/'02
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	170,000	175,000	103%
Kept for Breeding	21,000	18,000	86%
Market	164,000	152,000	93%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	13.0	11.7	91%
Value per head (Dollars)	74.00	69.00	93%
Sows Farrowing:	2002	2003	'03/'21
Dec. 1/-Nov.	38,000	37,000	97%
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	328,000	338,000	103%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	9.16	9.14	100%
Operations With Hogs	500	500	100%

1/ Previous year.

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-2004



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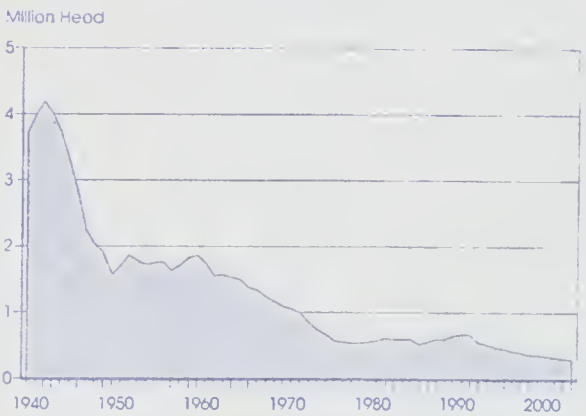
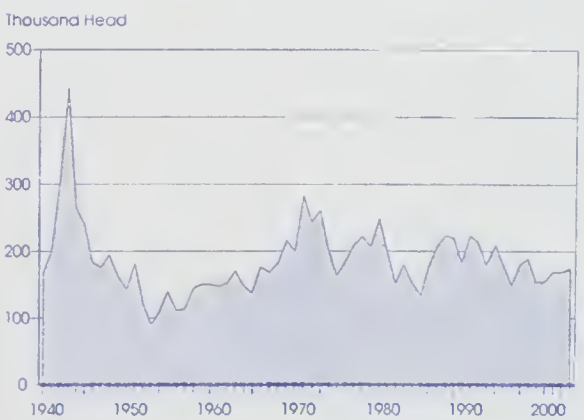


Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	2000	2001	2002	2003	'03/'02
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,180.9	1,171.8	1,197.8	1121.0	94%
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	78.30	80.50	70.50	82.20	117%
Calves	Dols./Cwt	103.00	99.20	90.10	106.00	118%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	967.0	974.7	868.4	954.9	110%
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	34.0	36.4	31.0	26.5	85%
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	31.40	33.90	26.60	34.80	131%
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	84.50	59.80	80.30	103.00	128%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	24.2	18.5	19.3	22.4	116%
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	73.3	76.5	71.3	73.6	103%
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	39.80	43.60	35.90	39.70	111%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	30.5	34.5	26.6	30.1	113%

Hogs and Pigs
Inventory: Jan. 1, 1940-1967; Dec. 1, 1968-2003



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002 2/	2003 3/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu	3.90	3.28	2.53	4.63	3.02	3.14	4.04	3.85
Winter Wheat	Bu	4 15	3.64	2.80	4.62	2.87	3 07	3.73	3.70
Spring Wheat	Bu.	5.75	3 18	2.72	4.59	3.03	3.06	4 08	3.85
Durum Wheat	Bu	4 14	3.47	2.65	5.09	3.52	3.80	4.49	4.25
Barley	Bu.	1.96	1 50	1 25	3 00	2.38	2 65	2.86	3.00
Oats	Bu.	2 83	2.03	2.30	1.75	1 13	1.96	2.02	1.70
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	62.50	84.50	64.00	67.50	86.50	95.50	85.00	77.00
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	37 20	38.50	50.00	59.80	78.30	80.50	70.50	82.20
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	58.00	47.60	70.60	66.70	88.30	89.60	80.70	90.40
Beef Cows	Cwt.	68.30	58.40	83.30	37.90	39.50	41.90	38.10	45.60
Calves	Cwt.	76.80	62 20	95.30	69.50	103.00	99.20	90.10	106.00
Sheep	Cwt.	44.80	35.70	51.00	26.80	31 40	33.90	26.60	34.80
Lambs	Cwt.	61.70	66.80	48.30	81.40	84.50	59.80	80.30	103.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	17 70	17.60	17.60	39 10	39.80	43.60	35.90	39.70
Chickens	Lb	08	.07	.045	.030	.015	.010	.010	.010
Eggs	Doz.	.58	.51	.68	57	.46	.41	.46	.65
Milk, All	Cwt.	1.00	.67	.91	13.30	12.80	15.10	12.30	12.40
Wool	Lb.	12.80	13.10	13.70	1.23	.37	.45	.76	1.03

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM		UNIT		PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches		60,100,000	acres	2003	2	6.4
Number of farms and ranches		28,000	farms/ranches	2003	30	1.3
Income from cash receipts, excluding government payments:	Total	1,687,481	thousand dollars	2002	34	0.9
	Crops	701,983	thousand dollars	2002	32	0.8
	Livestock	985,498	thousand dollars	2002	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY						
All Cattle & Calves		2,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	10	2.5
All Cows		1,490,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	8	3.6
Beef Cows		1,472,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	7	4.5
Milk Cows		18,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	39	0.2
Cattle on Feed		70,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	22	0.5
All Sheep and Lambs		300,000	head	Jan. 1, 2004	6	4.9
Hogs and Pigs		170,000	head	Dec. 1, 2003	25	0.3
All Chickens		485,000	birds	Dec. 1, 2003	38	0.1
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION						
Calf Crop		1,540,000	head	2003	8	4 1
Lamb Crop		280,000	head	2003	4	6.8
Pig Crop		338,000	head	2003	28	0.3
Wool Production		2,597,000	pounds	2003	5	6.8
Egg Production		107,000,000	eggs	2003	38	0.1
Honey Production		9,570,000	pounds	2003	6	5.3
CROP PRODUCTION						
All Wheat		137,530,000	bushels	2003	5	5.9
Winter Wheat		63,640,000	bushels	2003	8	3.7
Durum Wheat		14,490,000	bushels	2003	2	15.0
Other Spring Wheat		59,400,000	bushels	2003	3	11 1
Barley		31,590,000	bushels	2003	3	11.4
Oats		1,980,000	bushels	2003	16	1.4
All Hay		4,635,000	tons	2003	13	3.0
Alfalfa Hay		3,360,000	tons	2003	9	4.4
Dry Beans, All		233,000	cwt	2003	12	1.0
Pinto Beans		209,000	cwt	2003	8	2.0
Garbanzo Beans, All		22,000	cwt	2003	6	5.1
Lentils		273,000	cwt	2003	4	11 2
Dry Edible Peas		450,000	cwt	2003	4	8 7
Austrian Winter Peas		56,000	cwt	2003	2	32 2
Potatoes--fall		3,339,000	cwt	2003	17	0 8
Sugar Beets		861,000	tons	2003	7	2.8
Flaxseed		221,000	bushels	2003	2	2 1
Corn for Grain		2,380,000	bushels	2003	40	1/
Corn for Silage		1,128,000	tons	2003	23	1 1

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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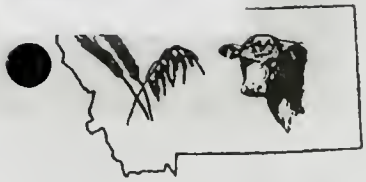

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 2000 population, at 902,195, was up 12.9 percent from 1990. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 6.2 in 2000--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 60.1 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 2000 Census	902,195
People Per Square Mile	6.2
Rural Farm Population (1990)	45,718
People Per Farm	1.9

Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,552	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93,153,553	Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,612,403	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.0	Percent

1/ 2002 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

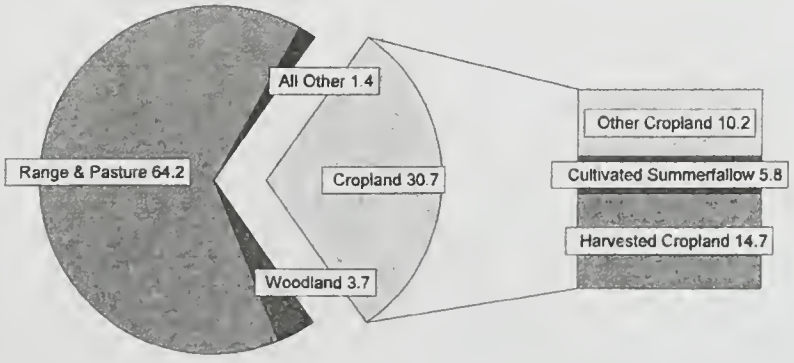
Farm Counts and Measurements, 2003

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	28,000	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch 3/	$773,071
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,146 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 4/	$410
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/, 3/	$27.2 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation 3/	$103,560
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch 3/	$969,990		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Source: State Fact Sheet, USDA-Economic Research Service. 4/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 2004.

Land in Farms & Ranches:

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



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Source: 2002 Census of Agriculture

Montana Annual Crop Summary, 2002-2004 1/

Crop	Year	MONTANA						U.S.
		Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Total Production	Season Avg. Price	Value of Production	Production
		(000)		Bu.	(000)		(000)	(000)
Winter Wheat	2002	1,450	780	28.0	21,840	$3.73	$81,463	1,137,001
	2003	1,900	1,820	37.0	67,340	$3.56	$239,730	1,716,721
	2004	1,900	1,630	41.0	66,830	$3.35	$223,881	1,499,434
Durum Wheat	2002	590	565	23.0	12,995	$4.49	$58,348	79,960
	2003	640	630	23.0	14,490	$4.07	$58,974	96,637
	2004	570	545	33.0	17,985	$3.90	**$70,142	89,893
Other Spring Wheat	2002	3,750	3,450	22.0	75,900	$4.08	$309,672	388,917
	2003	2,900	2,750	22.0	60,500	$3.78	$228,690	531,402
	2004	3,000	2,850	31.0	88,350	$3.60	$318,060	568,918
All Wheat	2002	5,790	4,795	23.1	110,735	$4.04	$449,483	1,605,878
	2003	5,440	5,200	27.4	142,330	$3.73	$527,394	2,344,760
	2004	5,470	5,025	34.5	173,165	$3.55	$612,083	2,158,245
Barley	2002	1,180	930	42.0	39,060	$2.86	$111,712	226,906
	2003	1,150	850	40.0	34,000	$2.93	$99,620	278,283
	2004	1,000	830	**59.0	48,970	$2.85	$139,565	279,253
Oats	2002	135	50	46.0	2,300	$2.02	$4,646	116,002
	2003	120	45	44.0	1,980	$1.70	$3,366	144,383
	2004	105	*40	60.0	2,400	$1.70	$4,080	115,935
Corn for Grain 2/	2002	65	13	140.0	1,820	$2.45	$4,459	8,966,787
	2003	68	17	140.0	2,380	$2.65	$6,307	10,089,222
	2004	70	15	143.0	2,145	$2.50	$5,363	11,807,217
			(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	(000)
Corn for Silage	2002	--	49	22.0	1,078	--	--	102,293
	2003	--	49	**24.0	1,176	--	--	107,378
	2004	--	51	22.0	1,122	--	--	107,336
Sugar Beets	2002	58.0	55.9	19.6	1,096	$41.00	$44,936	27,707
	2003	51.7	51.5	**25.4	1,308	$43.00	$56,244	30,710
	2004	53.7	52.1	21.7	1,131	--	--	29,932
Alfalfa Hay	2002	1,854	1,500	2.00	3,000	$85.00	$255,000	73,014
	2003	1,785	1,600	2.10	3,360	$75.00	$252,000	76,273
	2004	1,866	1,400	2.30	3,220	$78.50	$252,770	75,383
Other Hay	2002	--	1,100	1.40	1,540	$74.50	$114,730	76,453
	2003	--	850	1.50	1,275	$68.50	$87,338	81,312
	2004	--	1,100	1.40	1,540	$71.00	$109,340	82,391
All Hay 3/	2002	--	2,600	1.75	4,540	$82.50	$369,730	149,467
	2003	--	2,450	1.89	4,635	$73.50	$339,338	157,585
	2004	--	2,500	1.90	4,760	$76.50	$362,110	157,774
Sweet Cherries 4/	2002	--	--	--	2,350	$1,840.00	$4,082	181,355
	2003	--	--	--	2,060	$1,710.00	$3,163	245,700
	2004	--	--	--	2,360	**$2,020.00	**$4,473	282,060
			(000)	Cwt.	(000)		(000)	(000)
Fall Potatoes	2002	10.5	10.4	310	3,224	$8.25	$26,598	413,581
	2003	10.7	10.6	315	3,339	$7.60	$25,376	410,588
	2004	10.7	10.6	335	3,551	$5.40	$19,175	410,023
All Dry Beans	2002	26.9	23.0	16.0	367	$15.20	$5,578	30,312
	2003	13.0	12.8	18.2	233	$18.20	$4,241	22,492
	2004	13.0	12.7	22.4	285	$26.30	$7,496	17,799
Pinto Beans 5/	2002	13.5	12.9	22.5	290	--	--	13,188
	2003	*9.7	*9.7	*21.5	209	--	--	10,453
	2004	10.8	10.6	23.8	252	--	--	7,814
Garbanzo Beans 5/	2002	12.7	9.6	7.6	73	--	--	861
	2003	3.2	3.0	*7.3	*22	--	--	417
	2004	*2.2	*2.1	15.7	33	--	--	593
All Other Beans 5/	2002	0.7	0.5	0.7	4	--	--	860
	2003	0.1	0.1	2.0	2	--	--	772
	2004	--	--	--	--	--	--	622
Lentils 5/	2002	25.0	22.0	*7.5	*165	$13.80	$2,277	2,571
	2003	30.0	26.0	10.5	273	$15.40	$4,204	2,442
	2004	**78.0	**72.0	**14.0	**1,008	**$15.60	**$15,725	4,182
Dry Peas	2002	32.0	27.0	*8.0	216	**$7.20	$1,555	4,727
	2003	33.0	31.0	14.5	450	$8.10	$3,645	5,202
	2004	**68.0	**63.0	**20.1	**1,266	$6.00	$7,596	11,419
Austrian Winter Peas 6/	2002	9.5	3.5	7.2	25	$10.00	$250	183
	2003	9.5	7.0	8.0	56	$10.40	$582	174
	2004	12.0	8.0	9.0	72	$10.20	$734	264

1/ All estimates for 2004 are preliminary. 2/ Planted for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Utilized production in actual tons. 5/Data series begun in 1998. 6/Data series begun in 2001. -- Not Available. * Record Low. ** Record High.

Montana Major Livestock

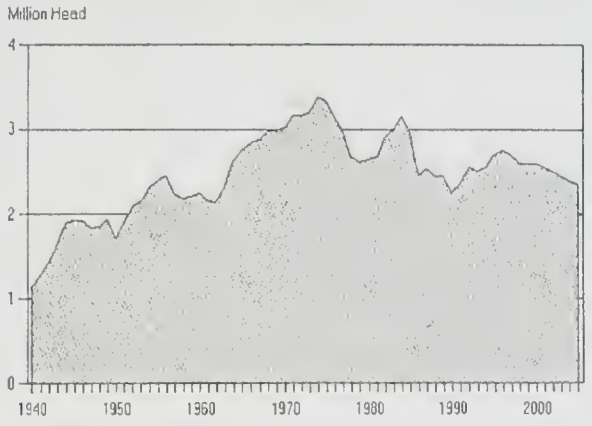
	1/1/2004	1/1/2005	'05/'04
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,400,000	2,350,000	98%
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,490,000	1,450,000	97%
Beef Cows	1,472,000	1,432,000	97%
Milk Cows	18,000	18,000	100%
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	570,000	560,000	98%
For beef cow replacement	420,000	405,000	96%
For milk cow replacement	8,000	9,000	113%
Other heifers	142,000	146,000	103%
Steers 500 pounds and over	200,000	200,000	100%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	90,000	90,000	100%
Calves less than 500 pounds	50,000	50,000	100%
Cattle on Feed	70,000	60,000	86%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,280.0	2,538.0	111%
Value per head (Dollars)	950.00	1,000.00	105%
	2003	2004	'04/'03
Calves born (Head)	1,540,000	1,520,000	99%
Operations with cattle & calves	13,000	12,700	98%
Operations with beef cows	11,800	11,500	97%
Operations with milk cows	600	600	100%

	1/1/2004	1/1/2005	'05/'04
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	300,000	305,000	102%
Breeding Sheep	280,000	280,000	100%
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	220,000	215,000	98%
Rams	7,000	7,000	100%
Replacements Lambs	53,000	58,000	109%
Market Sheep and Lambs	20,000	25,000	125%
Sheep	2,000	3,000	150%
Lambs	18,000	22,000	122%
All sheep value (Million $)	36.0	39.7	110%
Value per head (Dollars)	120.00	130.00	108%
	2003	2004	'04/'03
Lamb crop (Head)	280,000	270,000	96%
Operations with sheep & lambs	1,900	1,800	95%

	12/1/03	12/1/04	'04/'03
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	170,000	165,000	97%
Kept for Breeding	18,000	17,000	94%
Market	152,000	148,000	97%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	11.7	18.2	155%
Value per head (Dollars)	69.00	110.00	159%
Sows Farrowing:	2003	2004	'03/'04
Dec. 1/-Nov.	37,000	32,500	88%
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	338,000	310,000	92%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	9.14	9.54	104%
Operations With Hogs	500	500	100%

1/ Previous year.

All Cattle and Calves
Inventory: January 1, 1940-2005



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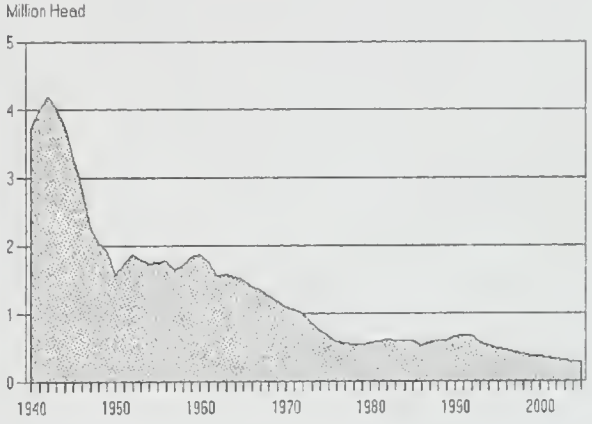
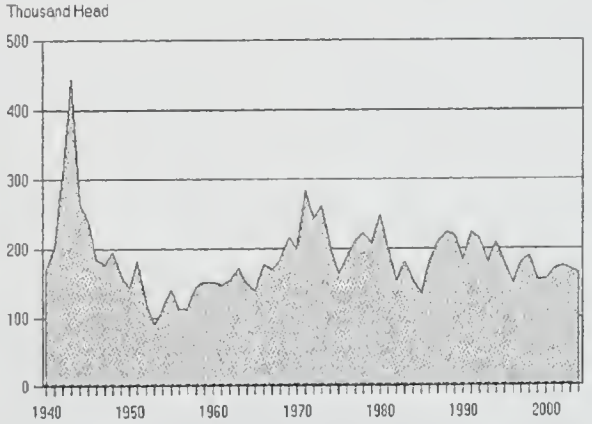


Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	2001	2002	2003	2004	'04/'03
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,169.9	1,197.8	1,123.9	1,162.5	103%
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	80.50	70.50	82.20	91.00	111%
Calves	Dols./Cwt	99.20	90.10	106.00	125.00	118%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	966.0	868.4	957.9	1,104.4	115%
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	36.4	31.0	26.5	26.0	98%
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	33.90	26.60	34.80	39.50	114%
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	59.80	80.30	103.00	112.0	109%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	18.5	19.3	22.4	23.3	104%
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	71.8	71.3	73.6	73.5	100%
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	43.60	35.90	39.70	52.30	132%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	32.3	26.6	30.2	38.8	129%

Hogs and Pigs
Inventory: Jan. 1, 1940-1967; Dec. 1, 1968-2004



Market-Year-Average Prices Received by Montana Farmers 1/

Commodity	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	2001	2002	2003 2/	2004 3/
		Dollars							
All Wheat	Bu.	4 14	3.47	2.65	4.63	3 14	4.04	3.73	3.55
Winter Wheat	Bu.	3.90	3.28	2.53	4.62	3.07	3.73	3.56	3.35
Spring Wheat	Bu	4 15	3.64	2.80	4.59	3.06	4.08	3.78	3 60
Durum Wheat	Bu.	5.75	3.18	2.72	5.09	3.80	4.49	4.07	3.90
Barley	Bu.	2.83	2.03	2.30	3.00	2.65	2.86	2.93	2.85
Oats	Bu.	1 96	1.50	1.25	1.75	1.96	2.02	1.70	1.70
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	--	--	65.00	67.50	95.50	85.00	75.00	78.50
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	58.00	47.60	70.60	59.80	80.50	70.50	82.20	91.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	68.30	58.40	83.30	66.70	89.60	80.70	90.40	106.00
Beef Cows	Cwt	44.80	35.70	51.00	37.90	41.90	38.10	45.60	51 40
Calves	Cwt.	76.80	62.20	95.30	69.50	99.20	90.10	106.00	125.00
Sheep	Cwt.	17.70	17.60	17.60	26.80	33.90	26.60	34.80	39.50
Lambs	Cwt.	61.70	66.80	48.30	81.40	59.80	80.30	103.00	112.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	37.20	38.50	50.00	39.10	43.60	35.90	39.70	52.30
Chickens	Lb.	08	07	.045	.030	.010	.010	.010	.006
Eggs	Doz	.575	51	.68	.57	.41	.46	.65	.657
Milk, All	Cwt.	12.80	13.10	13.70	13.30	15.10	12.30	12.40	15.50
Wool	Lb.	1.00	67	.91	1.23	.45	.76	1.03	1.17

1/ Crops are season average prices for each crop's respective marketing year. Other prices are averages weighted by monthly sales. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM			UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Land in farms and ranches		60,100,000	acres	2004	2	6.4
Number of farms and ranches		28,000	farms/ranches	2004	30	1.3
Income from cash receipts, excluding government payments:	Total	1,892,144	thousand dollars	2003	34	0.9
	Crops	786,878	thousand dollars	2003	31	0.7
	Livestock	1,105,266	thousand dollars	2003	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORYand LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS						
All Cattle & Calves		2,350,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	12	2.5
All Cows		1,450,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	9	3.4
Beef Cows		1,432,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	7	4.3
Milk Cows		18,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	39	0 2
Cattle on Feed		60,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	23	0.4
All Sheep and Lambs		305,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	6	5.0
Breeding Sheep		280,000	head	Jan. 1, 2005	5	6.2
Hogs and Pigs		165,000	head	Dec. 1, 2004	26	0.3
All Chickens		480,000	birds	Dec. 1, 2004	38	0 1
Calf Crop		1,520,000	head	2004	7	4.0
Lamb Crop		270,000	head	2004	4	6.6
Pig Crop		310,000	head	2004	29	0.3
Wool Production		2,472,000	pounds	2004	6	6.6
Egg Production		107,000,000	eggs	2004	38	0.1
Honey Production		10,780,000	pounds	2004	5	5.9
CROP PRODUCTION						
All Wheat		173,165,000	bushels	2004	3	8.0
Winter Wheat		66,830,000	bushels	2004	5	4 5
Durum Wheat		17,985,000	bushels	2004	2	20.0
Other Spring Wheat		88,350,000	bushels	2004	3	15.5
Barley		48,970,000	bushels	2004	3	17.5
Oats		2,400,000	bushels	2004	14	2.1
All Hay		4,760,000	tons	2004	14	3 0
Alfalfa Hay		3,220,000	tons	2004	9	4.3
Dry Beans, All		285,000	cwt	2004	10	1.6
Pinto Beans		252,000	cwt	2004	6	3.2
Garbanzo Beans, All		33,000	cwt	2004	7	5.6
Lentils		1,008,000	cwt	2004	3	24 1
Dry Edible Peas		1,266,000	cwt	2004	3	11.1
Austrian Winter Peas		72,000	cwt	2004	2	27.3
Potatoes--fall		3,551,000	cwt	2004	16	0.8
Sugar Beets		1,131,000	tons	2004	6	3.8
Flaxseed		342,000	bushels	2004	2	3.3
Corn for Grain		2,145,000	bushels	2004	40	1/
Corn for Silage		1,122,000	tons	2004	25	1 0

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 2000 population, at 902,195, was up 12.9 percent from 1990. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 6.2 in 2000--third lowest in the United States. Montana's59.6 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 2000 Census	902,195
People Per Square Mile	6.2
Rural Farm Population (2000)	39,930
People Per Farm	1.9

Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,552	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93,153,553	Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,612,403	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.0	Percent

1/ 2002 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

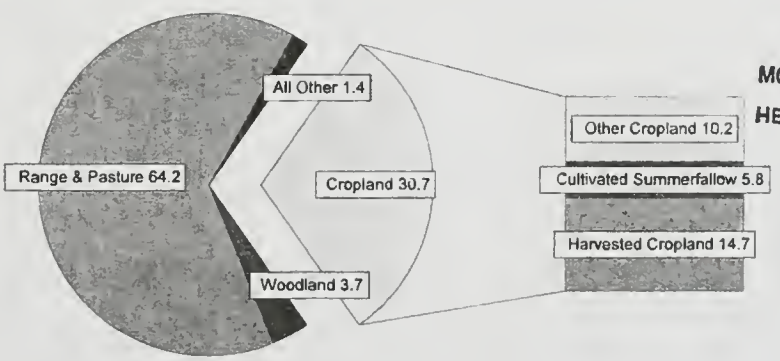
Farm Counts and Measurements

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	28,000	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch 3/	$854,560
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,146 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 4/	$445
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/, 3/	$29.5 Bil.	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation 3/	$93,125
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch 3/	$1,053,560		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more, 2005 figure. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Source: Economic Indicators of the Farm Sector, State Income and Balance Sheet Statistics, USDA-Economic Research Service. Figures are for 2004. 4/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 2005.

Land in Farms & Ranches:

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



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Montana Annual Crop Summary, 2003-2005 1/

Crop	Year	MONTANA Planted Acres (000)	Harvested Acres (000)	Yield Per Acre Bu	Production (000)	Season Avg. Price Dollars 1/	Value of Production (000) 1/	US Production (000)
Winter Wheat	2003	1,900	1,820	37.0	67,340	$3.56	$239,730	1,716,721
	2004	1,900	1,630	41.0	66,830	$3.35	$223,881	1,499,434
	2005	2,150	2,100	**45.0	94,500	--	--	1,499,129
Durum Wheat	2003	640	630	23.0	14,490	$4.07	$58,974	96,637
	2004	570	545	**33.0	17,985	$3.90	**$70,142	89,893
	2005	590	585	28.0	16,380	--	--	101,105
Other Spring Wheat	2003	2,900	2,750	22.0	60,500	$3.78	$228,690	531,402
	2004	3,000	2,850	31.0	88,350	$3.60	$318,060	568,918
	2005	2,600	2,550	32.0	81,600	--	--	504,456
All Wheat	2003	5,440	5,200	27.4	142,330	$3.73	$530,891	2,344,760
	2004	5,470	5,025	34.5	173,165	$3.55	$612,083	2,158,245
	2005	5,340	5,235	36.8	192,480	--	--	2,104,690
Barley	2003	1,150	850	40.0	34,000	$2.93	$99,620	278,283
	2004	1,000	830	**59.0	48,970	$2.85	$139,565	279,743
	2005	900	700	56.0	39,200	--	--	211,896
Oats	2003	120	45	44.0	1,980	$1.70	$3,366	144,383
	2004	105	40	60.0	2,400	$1.70	$4,080	115,935
	2005	90	35	53.0	1,855	--	--	114,878
Corn for Grain 2/	2003	68	17	140.0	2,380	$2.65	$6,307	10,089,222
	2004	70	15	143.0	2,145	$2.50	$5,363	11,807,217
	2005	65	17	**148.0	2,516	--	--	11,112,072
		(000)	(000)	Tons	(000) Tons		(000)	(000)
Corn for Silage	2003	--	49	**24.0	1,176	--	--	107,378
	2004	--	51	22.0	1,122	--	--	107,336
	2005	--	46	**24.0	1,104	--	--	106,311
Sugar Beets	2003	51.7	51.5	**25.4	1,308	$43.00	$56,224	30,710
	2004	53.7	52.1	21.7	1,131	--	--	29,956
	2005	53.9	49.9	22.9	1,143	--	--	27,254
Alfalfa Hay 3/	2003	--	1,600	2.10	3,360	$75.00	$252,000	76,273
	2004	--	1,400	2.30	3,220	$77.00	$252,770	75,383
	2005	--	**1,750	2.20	3,850	--	--	74,819
Other Hay 3/	2003	--	850	1.50	1,275	$68.50	$87,338	81,312
	2004	--	1,100	1.40	1,540	$70.00	$109,340	82,391
	2005	--	1,250	1.60	**2,000	--	--	76,931
All Hay 3/	2003	--	2,450	1.89	4,635	$73.50	$340,672	157,585
	2004	--	2,500	1.90	4,760	$76.00	$362,110	157,774
	2005	--	**3,000	1.95	**5,850	--	--	150,590
Sweet Cherries 4/	2003	--	--	--	2,060	$1,710.00	$3,163	245,700
	2004	--	--	--	2,360	$2,010.00	**$4,473	283,060
	2005	--	--	--	1,170	**$3,660.00	$4,094	251,170
		(000)	(000)	Cwt	(000) Cwt		(000)	(000)
Fall Potatoes	2003	10.7	10.6	315	3,339	$7.60	$25,376	410,588
	2004	10.7	10.6	**335	**3,551	$7.50	$26,633	410,253
	2005	11.0	10.9	315	3,434	--	--	382,523
All Dry Beans	2003	13.0	12.8	18.2	233	$18.20	$4,241	22,492
	2004	13.0	12.7	22.4	285	$26.30	$7,496	17,788
	2005	18.0	14.1	20.0	282	--	--	27,222
Pinto Beans	2003	*9.7	*9.7	21.5	209	--	--	10,453
	2004	10.8	10.6	23.8	252	--	--	7,814
	2005	12.0	10.0	23.9	239	--	--	13,110
Garbanzo Beans	2003	3.2	3.0	*7.3	*22	--	--	417
	2004	*2.2	*2.1	15.7	33	--	--	593
	2005	6.0	4.1	10.5	43	--	--	1,098
All Other Beans	2003	0.1	0.1	2.0	2	--	--	772
	2004	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	--	--	604
	2005	0.0	0.0	0.0		--	--	754
Lentils	2003	30.0	26.0	10.5	273	$15.40	$4,204	2,442
	2004	78.0	72.0	**14.0	1,008	**$15.60	**$15,725	4,182
	2005	**150.0	**146.0	12.8	**1,869	--	--	5,163
Dry Peas	2003	33.0	31.0	14.5	450	**$8.10	$3,645	5,202
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	2005	**135.0	**122.0	18.0	**2,196	--	--	14,003
Austrian Winter Peas	2003	*9.5	7.0	8.0	56	$10.40	$582	174
	2004	14.0	11.0	9.0	99	$10.20	**$1,010	291
	2005	**25.0	**13.0	**12.2	**159	--	--	307

1/ Season average price and value of production for 2005 are not yet available. 2/ Planted for all purposes. 3/ Price of baled hay. 4/ Total production. -- Not Available * Record Low ** Record High

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Milk Cows	18,000	19,000	106%
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	555,000	610,000	110%
For beef cow replacement	400,000	445,000	111%
For milk cow replacement	9,000	8,000	89%
Other heifers	146,000	157,000	108%
Steers 500 pounds and over	205,000	160,000	78%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	90,000	110,000	122%
Calves less than 500 pounds	50,000	50,000	100%
Cattle on Feed	60,000	55,000	92%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,538.0	2,928.0	115%
Value per head (Dollars)	1,080.00	1,220.00	113%
	2004	2005	'05/'04
Calves born (Head)	1,520,000	1,480,000	97%
Operations with cattle & calves	12,700	12,600	99%
Operations with beef cows	11,500	11,400	99%
Operations with milk cows	600	650	108%

	1/1/2005	1/1/2006	'06/'05
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Rams	7,000	7,000	100%
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Market Sheep and Lambs	25,000	25,000	100%
Sheep	3,000	6,000	200%
Lambs	22,000	19,000	86%
All sheep value (Million $)	39.7	43.4	109%
Value per head (Dollars)	130.00	147.00	113%
	2004	2005	'05/'04
Lamb crop (Head)	270,000	275,000	102%
Operations with sheep & lambs	1,800	1,700	94%

	12/1/04	12/1/05	'05/'04
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	165,000	175,000	106%
Kept for Breeding	17,000	18,000	106%
Market	148,000	157,000	106%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	18.2	17.5	96%
Value per head (Dollars)	110.00	100.00	91%
Sows Farrowing:	2004	2005	'05/'04
Dec. 1/-Nov.	32,500	33,000	102%
Pig Crop			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	310,000	319,000	103%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec. 1/-Nov.	9.54	9.67	101%
Operations With Hogs	500	500	100%

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All Cattle and Calves

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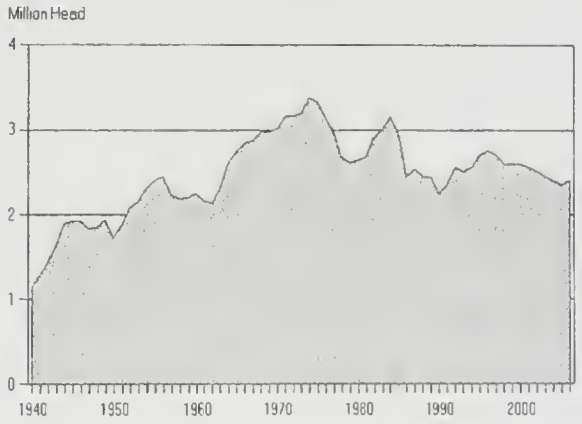

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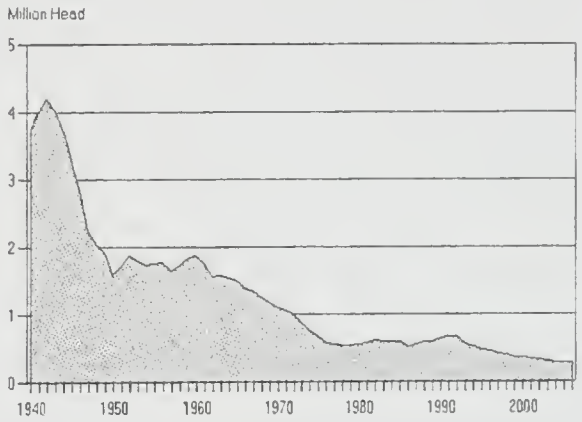

Montana Meat Animals: Marketings and Cash Receipts

Item	Unit	2002	2003	2004	2005	'05/'04
CATTLE & CALVES						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	1,197.8	1,123.9	1,162.5	1,033.2	89%
Beef Cattle	Dols./Cwt	70.50	82.20	91.00	104.00	114%
Calves	Dols./Cwt	90.10	106.00	125.00	138.00	110%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	868.4	957.9	1,104.4	1,105.0	100%
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	31.0	26.5	26.0	28.4	109%
Sheep	Dols./Cwt	26.60	34.80	39.50	43.30	110%
Lambs	Dols./Cwt	80.30	103.00	112.0	124.00	111%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	19.3	22.4	23.3	27.5	118%
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil. Lbs.	71.3	73.6	73.5	76.8	104%
Average Price	Dols./Cwt	35.90	39.70	52.30	53.10	102%
Cash Receipts	Mil. Dols.	26.6	30.2	38.8	41.2	106%

Hogs and Pigs

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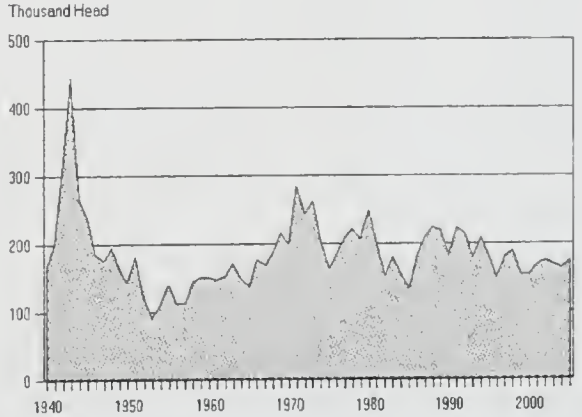

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Winter Wheat	Bu	3.90	3.28	2.53	4.62	2.87	3.56	3.41	3.50
Spring Wheat	Bu	4.15	3.64	2.80	4.59	3.03	3.78	3.69	3.75
Durum Wheat	Bu	5.75	3.18	2.72	5.09	3.52	4.07	3.86	3.65
Barley	Bu	2.83	2.03	2.30	3.00	2.38	2.93	2.85	2.85
Oats	Bu	1.96	1.50	1.25	1.75	1.13	1.70	1 70	1.75
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	--	--	65.00	67.50	86.50	75.00	77.00	72.00
Beef Cattle	Cwt	58.00	47 60	70.60	59.80	78.30	82.20	91.00	104 00
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Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

ITEM			UNIT	PERIOD OR DATE	RANK	% U.S. Total
Number of farms and ranches		28,000	acres	2005	30	1.3
Land in farms and ranches		60,100,000	farms/ranches	2005	2	6.4
Income from cash receipts, excluding government payments:	Total	2,238,980	thousand dollars	2004	33	0.9
	Livestock	1,278,045	thousand dollars	2004	31	1.0
	Crops	960,935	thousand dollars	2004	31	0.8
LIVESTOCK INVENTORYand LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS						
All cattle and calves		2,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	12	2.5
All cows		1,470,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	9	3.5
Beef cows		1,451,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	7	4.4
Milk cows		19,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	39	0.2
Cattle on feed		55,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	24	0.4
All sheep and lambs		295,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	6	4.7
Breeding sheep		270,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	5	5.8
Meat goats		9,000	head	Jan. 1, 2006	35	0.4
Milk goats		2,780	head	Jan. 1, 2006	29	1.0
Hogs and pigs		175,000	head	Dec. 1, 2005	25	0.3
Chickens		480,000	birds	Dec. 1, 2005	38	0.1
Calf Crop		1,480,000	head	2005	8	3.9
Lamb Crop		275,000	head	2005	4	6.7
Pig Crop		319,000	head	2005	27	0.3
Wool Production		2,490,000	pounds	2005	6	6.7
Egg Production		106,000,000	eggs	2005	38	0.1
Honey Production		8,710,000	pounds	2005	6	5.0
CROP PRODUCTION						
All wheat		192,480,000	bushels	2005	3	9.1
Winter wheat		94,500,000	bushels	2005	5	6.3
Durum wheat		16,380,000	bushels	2005	2	16.2
Other spring wheat		81,600,000	bushels	2005	2	16.2
Barley		39,200,000	bushels	2005	3	18.5
Oats		1,855,000	bushels	2005	15	1.6
All hay		5,850,000	tons	2005	9	3.9
Alfalfa hay		3,850,000	tons	2005	7	5.1
Other hay		2,000,000	tons	2005	15	2.7
Dry beans		282,000	cwt	2005	13	1.0
Pinto beans		239,000	cwt	2005	10	1.8
Garbanzo beans		43,000	cwt	2005	7	4.0
Lentils		1,869,000	cwt	2005	2	36.2
Dry edible peas		2,196,000	cwt	2005	2	15.7
Austrian winter peas		159,000	cwt	2005	1	51.8
Fall potatoes		3,434,000	cwt	2005	15	0.9
Sugar beets		1,143,000	tons	2005	6	4.1
Flaxseed		918,000	bushels	2005	2	4.7
Safflower		25,810,000	pounds	2005	2	13.4
Canola		21,285,000	pounds	2005	3	1.3
Corn for grain		2,516,000	bushels	2005	40	1/
Corn for silage		1,104,000	tons	2005	24	1.0

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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Montana Facts and Figures

Montana's 2000 population, at 902,195, was up 12.9 percent from 1990. Population density, measured in people per square mile, was 6.2 in 2000--third lowest in the United States. Montana's 59.6 million acres of land in farms and ranches ranks second in the nation behind Texas.

Montana Population

Total, 2000 Census	902,195
People Per Square Mile	6.2
Rural Farm Population (2000)	39,930
People Per Farm	1.9

1/ 2002 U.S. Census of Agriculture.

Land and Land Utilization 1/

Montana Total Land Area, Miles	145,552	Sq. Miles
Montana Total Land Area, Acres	93,153,553	Acres
All Land in Farms & Ranches	59,612,403	Acres
Proportion of Land in Farms & Ranches	64.0	Percent

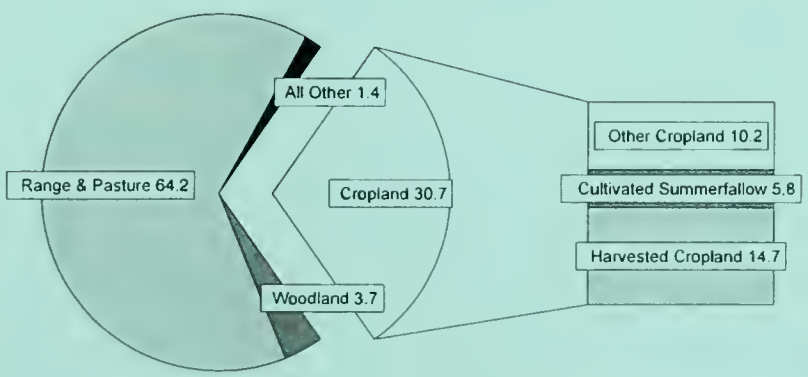
Farm Counts and Measurements

Number of Farms & Ranches 1/	28,100	Real Estate Value/Farm or Ranch 3/	$1,055,440
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	2,139 Acres	Average Value Per Acre 4/	$760
Total Farm & Ranch Assets 2/, 3/	$35.5 Bil	Farm & Ranch Debt Per Operation 3/	$108,966
Average Value Per Farm or Ranch 3/	$1,262,410		

1/ Places with annual sale of agricultural products of $1,000 or more, 2006 figure. 2/ Excludes farm operators' household assets and debt. 3/ Source: Economic Indicators of the Farm Sector, State Income and Balance Sheet Statistics, USDA-Economic Research Service. Figures are for 2005. 4/ Per acre, land and buildings, January 1, 2006.

Land in Farms & Ranches:

Utilization as a Percentage of Total



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Montana Annual Crop Summary, 2005-2006

Crop	MONTANA							US Production (000)
	Year	Planted Acres (000)	Harvested Acres (000)	Yield Per Acre Bu	Production (000)	Season Avg. Price Dollars 1/	Value of Production (000) 1/	
Winter Wheat	2005	2,150	2,100	**45.0	94,500	$3.51	$331,695	1,499,129
	2006	1,950	1,920	43.0	82,560	$4.60	$379,776	1,298,081
Durum Wheat	2005	590	585	28.0	16,380	$3.45	$56,511	101,105
	2006	400	395	17.0	6,715	$4.50	$30,218	53,475
Other Spring Wheat	2005	2,600	2,550	32.0	81,600	$3.80	$310,080	504,456
	2006	2,950	2,900	22.0	63,800	**$4.60	$293,480	460,480
All Wheat	2005	5,340	5,235	36.8	192,480	$3.63	$698,286	2,104,690
	2006	5,300	5,215	29.0	153,075	$4.60	$703,474	1,812,036
Barley	2005	900	700	56.0	39,200	$2.92	$114,464	211,896
	2006	770	620	50.0	31,000	$3.00	$93,000	180,051
Oats	2005	90	35	53.0	1,855	$1.63	$3,024	114,878
	2006	*70	*24	46.0	*1,104	$2.05	$2,263	93,764
Corn for Grain 1/	2005	65	17	**148.0	2,516	$2.54	$6,391	11,114,082
	2006	65	18	146.0	2,628	$3.50	$9,198	10,534,868
		(000)	(000)	Tons	(000)		(000)	(000)
Corn for Silage	2005	--	46	**24.0	1,104	--	--	106,486
	2006	--	45	22.0	990	--	--	104,849
Sugar Beets	2005	53.9	49.9	22.9	1,143	$45.30	$51,778	27,433
	2006	53.6	48.6	**26.8	1,302	--	--	33,765
Alfalfa Hay 2/	2005	--	**1,750	2.20	3,850	$71.00	$273,350	76,149
	2006	--	1,550	2.10	3,255	$76.50	$249,008	71,666
Other Hay 2/	2005	--	1,250	1.60	**2,000	$68.00	**$136,000	74,868
	2006	--	710	1.50	1,065	$80.50	$85,733	70,000
All Hay 2/	2005	--	**3,000	1.95	**5,850	$71.00	$409,350	151,017
	2006	--	2,260	1.91	4,320	$77.00	$334,741	141,666
Sweet Cherries 3/	2005	740	740	1.66	1,230	**$3,530.00	$4,165	250,800
	2006	750	750	3.20	2,400	$1,850.00	$1,071	293,600
		(000)	(000)	Cwt	(000)		(000)	(000)
Fall Potatoes	2005	10.7	10.6	325	3,445	$9.15	$31,522	382,743
	2006	10.6	10.5	**335	3,518	$9.45	**$33,245	391,978
All Dry Beans	2005	18.0	14.1	20.0	282	$18.60	$5,245	26,772
	2006	19.5	18.6	16.4	305	$20.50	$6,253	24,247
Pinto Beans	2005	12.0	10.0	23.9	239	--	--	12,601
	2006	10.7	10.5	22.3	234	--	--	9,618
Garbanzo Beans	2005	6.0	4.1	10.5	43	--	--	1,061
	2006	8.8	8.1	8.8	71	--	--	1,539
Lentils	2005	**150.0	**146.0	12.8	**1,869	*$9.54	**$17,830	5,163
	2006	142.0	134.0	*6.0	804	$9.73	$7,823	3,244
Dry Peas	2005	135.0	122.0	18.0	**2,196	$4.80	$10,541	14,003
	2006	**210.0	**191.0	10.8	2,063	$6.14	**$12,667	13,203
Austrian Winter Peas	2005	25.0	**13.0	**12.2	**159	*$8.67	**$1,379	307
	2006	**32.0	12.0	9.2	110	$8.94	$983	259
		(000)	(000)	Bu	(000)		(000)	(000)
Flaxseed	2005	55.0	54.0	17.0	918	$6.20	$5,692	19,695
	2006	35.0	33.0	9.0	297	$6.30	$1,871	11,019
		(000)	(000)	Lbs	(000)		(000)	(000)
Canola	2005	17.0	16.5	1,290	21,285	$9.00	$1,916	1,580,985
	2006	*10.0	*9.8	1,120	*10,976	$11.70	$1,284	1,394,332
Mustard Seed	2005	11.5	10.8	580	6,264	--	--	35,114
	2006	7.0	6.9	570	3,933	--	--	28,220
Safflower	2005	*30.0	29.0	**890	25,810	$14.00	$3,613	218,995
	2006	39.0	37.0	750	27,750	$13.50	$3,746	191,405
Sunflower	2005	6.8	6.4	1,150	**7,360	--	--	4,018,355
	2006	3.6	3.5	**1,278	4,474	--	--	2,143,613

1/ Planted for all purposes. 2/ Price of baled hay. 3/ Total production. -- Not Available * Record Low ** Record High

Montana Major Livestock

	1/1/2006	1/1/2007	'07/'06
ALL CATTLE and CALVES (Head)	2,400,000	2,400,000	100%
Cows & Heifers that have calved:	1,450,000	1,400,000	97%
Beef Cows	1,431,000	1,382,000	97%
Milk Cows	19,000	18,000	95%
Heifers 500 pounds and over:	610,000	630,000	103%
For beef cow replacement	445,000	440,000	99%
For milk cow replacement	8,000	10,000	125%
Other heifers	157,000	180,000	115%
Steers 500 pounds and over	180,000	240,000	133%
Bulls 500 pounds and over	110,000	90,000	82%
Calves less than 500 pounds	50,000	40,000	80%
Cattle on Feed	55,000	55,000	100%
All cattle value (Million $)	2,928	2,520	86%
Value per head (Dollars)	1,220	1,050	86%
	2005	2006	'06/'05
Calves born (Head)	1,470,000	1,450,000	99%
Operations with cattle & calves	12,600	12,200	97%
Operations with beef cows	11,400	11,000	96%
Operations with milk cows	650	600	92%

	1/1/2006	1/1/2007	'07/'06
ALL SHEEP and LAMBS (Head)	295,000	290,000	98%
Breeding Sheep	270,000	265,000	98%
One Year Old and Older			
Ewes	208,000	209,000	100%
Rams	7,000	7,000	100%
Replacements Lambs	55,000	49,000	89%
Market Sheep and Lambs	25,000	25,000	100%
Sheep	6,000	6,000	100%
Lambs	19,000	19,000	100%
All sheep value (Million $)	43.4	38.3	88%
Value per head (Dollars)	147	132	90%
	2005	2006	'06/'05
Lamb crop (Head)	275,000	270,000	98%
Operations with sheep & lambs	1,700	1,600	94%

	12/1/05	12/1/06	'06/'05
ALL HOGS and PIGS (Head)	175,000	180,000	103%
Kept for Breeding	18,000	18,000	100%
Market	157,000	162,000	103%
All Hog & Pig Value (Million $)	17.5	16.9	97%
Value per head (Dollars)	100	94	94%
Sows Farrowing:	2005	2006	'06/'05
Dec 1/-Nov	33,000	34,000	103%
Pig Crop			
Dec 1/-Nov	319,000	325,000	102%
Pigs per Litter			
Dec 1/-Nov	9.67	9.56	99%
Operations With Hogs	500	500	100%

1/ Previous year.

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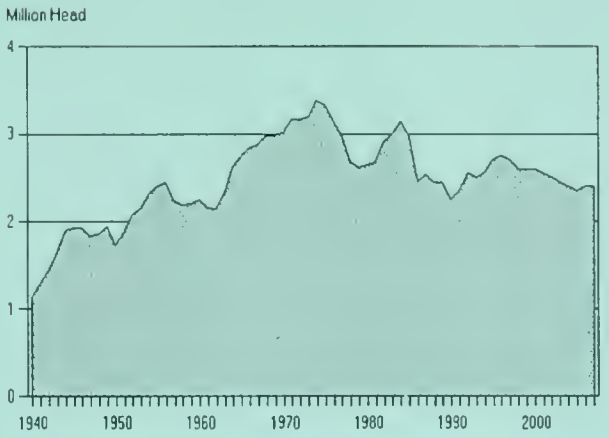

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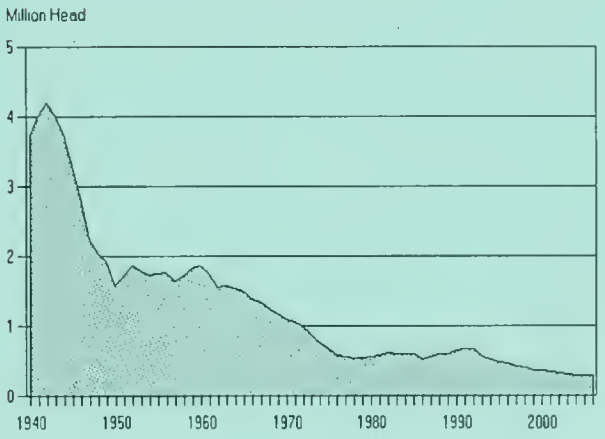

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Cash Receipts	Mil Dols	957.9	1,104.4	1,097.3	1,117.1	102%
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Marketings	Mil Lbs	26.5	26.0	28.4	27.2	96%
Sheep	Dols/Cwt	34.80	39.50	43.30	25.70	59%
Lambs	Dols/Cwt	103.00	112.0	124.00	102.00	82%
Cash Receipts	Mil Dols	22.4	23.3	27.5	20.8	76%
HOGS & PIGS						
Marketings	Mil Lbs	73.6	73.5	76.8	77.6	104%
Average Price	Dols/Cwt	39.70	52.30	53.10	47.90	90%
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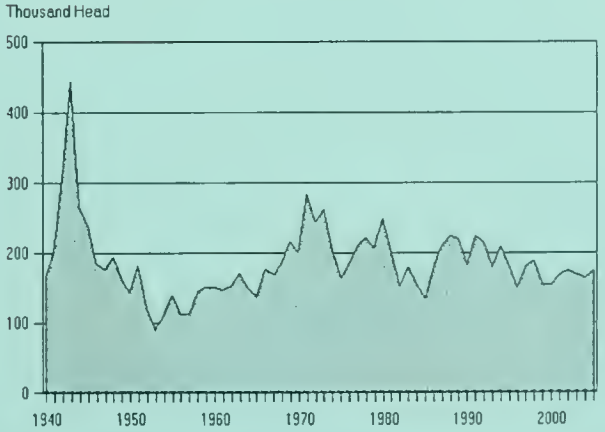

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Durum Wheat	Bu	5.75	3.18	2.72	5.09	3.52	3.86	3.45	4.50
Barley	Bu	2.83	2.03	2.30	3.00	2.38	2.85	2.92	3.00
Oats	Bu	1.96	1.50	1.25	1.75	1.13	1.70	1.63	2.05
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	--	--	65.00	67.50	86.50	77.00	71.00	76.50
Beef Cattle	Cwt	58.00	47.60	70.60	59.80	78.30	91.00	104.00	93.80
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	68.30	58.40	83.30	66.70	88.30	106.00	114.00	112.00
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Sheep	Cwt	17.70	17.60	17.60	26.80	31.40	39.50	43.30	25.70
Lambs	Cwt	61.70	66.80	48.30	81.40	84.50	112.00	124.00	102.00
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Eggs	Doz	.58	.51	.68	.57	.46	.657	.374	.465
Milk, All	Cwt	12.80	13.10	13.70	13.30	12.80	15.60	15.30	13.10
Wool	Lb	1.00	.67	.91	1.23	.37	1.17	.98	.91

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Montana's Rank in the Nation's Agriculture

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Number of farms and ranches	28,100	farms/ranches	2006	30	1.3
Land in farms and ranches	60,100,000	acres	2006	2	6.4
Average Farm Size	2,139	acres	2006	4	N/A
INCOME FROM CASH RECEIPTS, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS					
Total	2,323,708	thousand dollars	2005	33	1.0
Crops	1,037,537	thousand dollars	2005	30	0.9
Livestock	1,286,171	thousand dollars	2005	30	1.0
LIVESTOCK INVENTORY					
All Cattle and Calves	2,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	13	2.5
All Cows	1,400,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	9	3.3
Beef Cows	1,382,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	7	4.2
Milk Cows	18,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	39	0.2
Cattle on Feed	55,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	24	0.4
All Sheep and Lambs	290,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	7	4.7
Breeding Sheep	265,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	6	5.7
Meat Goats	12,000	head	Jan. 1, 2007	30	0.5
Milk Goats	2,200	head	Jan. 1, 2007	33	0.7
Hogs and Pigs	180,000	head	Dec. 1, 2006	25	0.3
Chickens	490,000	head	Dec. 1, 2006	37	0.1
Calf Crop	1,450,000	head	2006	8	3.9
Lamb Crop	270,000	head	2006	4	6.6
Pig Crop	325,000	head	2006	28	0.3
Wool Production	2,350,000	pounds	2006	6	6.5
Egg Production	104,000,000	eggs	2006	37	0.1
Honey Production	10,428,000	pounds	2006	5	6.7
CROP PRODUCTION					
All Wheat	153,075,000	bushels	2006	3	8.4
Winter Wheat	82,560,000	bushels	2006	3	6.4
Durum Wheat	6,715,000	bushels	2006	3	12.6
Other Spring Wheat	63,800,000	bushels	2006	3	13.9
Barley	31,000,000	bushels	2006	3	17 2
Oats	1,104,000	bushels	2006	22	1.2
All Hay	4,320,000	tons	2006	13	3.0
Alfalfa Hay	3,255,000	tons	2006	8	4.5
Other Hay	1,065,000	tons	2006	23	1.5
Dry Beans	305,000	cwt	2006	10	1.3
Pinto Beans	234,000	cwt	2006	6	2.4
Garbanzo Beans	71,000	cwt	2006	6	4.6
Lentils	804,000	cwt	2006	2	24.8
Dry Edible Peas	2,063,000	cwt	2006	2	15.6
Austrian Winter Peas	110,000	cwt	2006	1	42.5
Fall Potatoes	3,518,000	cwt	2006	13	0.9
Sugar Beets	1,302,000	tons	2006	6	3.9
Flaxseed	297,000	bushels	2006	2	2.7
Safflower	27,750,000	pounds	2006	2	14.5
Canola	10,976,000	pounds	2006	3	0.8
Corn for Grain	2,628,000	bushels	2006	40	1/
Corn for Silage	990,000	tons	2006	25	0.9

1/ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

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